

CURIOS INNS SIGNS.

Germany Seems to Lead the World in Fantastic Designations.

Scattered throughout England are some curious inn names, and in remote parts of the United States American fancy and imagination have also done wonders in this direction, but Germany, says a writer in Leisure Hour, probably keeps the record for out of the way signs and fantastic names.

The most absurd results are usually obtained by the name of some animal with a more or less unsuitable object.

The "Comfortable Chicken" and the "Cold Frog," both of them in Berlin, are certainly left in the shade by the "Angry Ant" (Ort in Westphalia) and the "Stiff Dog" (Berlin). The "Lame Louse" is an inn in the suburb of Berlin, and not far from it is the "Thirsty Pelican."

In Luxemburg there is the "Three Asses," but the sign of the house has only two asses painted on it. The words underneath, however, explain all. They are in German, English and French, as follows: "When shall we three meet again?"

The "Dirty Parlor," the "Bloody Bones," the "Musical Cats," the "Four Hundredweight Man," the "Boxers' Den," are all in Berlin or the neighborhood and the "Old Straw Bag" is in Leipsic.

The "Open Bunghole" is in Stadtchen, in the Palatinate, and the "Shoulder Blade" in Jerichow. The "Last Tear" is a landlord's notion for the name of his inn, situated near a graveyard, visited by returning mourners, and is of frequent occurrence throughout Germany.

Exasperating Days.

Aren't there some times in your life when everything seems to go wrong no matter how hard you try to have them go right? Those are the trying days when you want to blame all the trouble on the way you got out of bed in the morning or on other people instead of looking the matter squarely in the face and saying, "It's one of my exasperating days, and if I can only keep my temper until night comes tomorrow will be different."

The trouble is when we feel ruffled ourselves we somehow impart the feeling to others, and nine times out of ten we either get into a quarrel or do some ugly, horrid little thing that we wouldn't think of on other occasions. If you can on these hateful days manage to think twice before you speak once, it will save a lot of worry on the morrow. In fact, that is a good rule to go by at all times, for of all the unruly, mischief making members the tongue is the most prominent.

A Boy's Protest.

The boy was young, but he was a philosopher. He knew that the "grown ups" did not recognize the rights of boyhood. He felt his wrongs, but he also felt the utter uselessness of struggling against the fixed. Some day he would be as big as they. In the meanwhile it was futile to cry out against the inevitable. But one morning hunger, the great primitive instinct before which even philosophy shrinks and shrivels, wrung from him a protest that betrayed him, showing an agitated heart beneath his calm exterior, a mind ready to revolt against the despotism of fact. He had waited for his breakfast longer than any healthy bodied boy should and at last, smarting under his wrongs, said bitterly:

"If our hired man had been waiting all this time, you bet he'd have kicked."—New York Times.

Development of a Baby's Mind.

In an experiment whose purpose was to trace the stages of development of a baby's mind the infant was placed before a mirror daily. During the earliest stage of the test he simply looked at his reflection, as birds do. He next showed fear of it, as do many of the higher animals. He then grasped at it with his hands, as cats strike at reflections with their paws. Later he looked behind the glass to find the object, as cats and monkeys have been known to do. But on the fourth hundred and twentieth day of his life he deliberately turned the glass at different angles to obtain required reflections, an intelligence not possessed by any animal other than man.

The Flight of Time.

Many, many years ago one day when the hall at the Four Courts in Dublin was crowded during the luncheon hour with all the lawyers and barristers exchanging notes and queries on each other's cases, two men entered with a long ladder. They placed it before the great clock which was the special ornament of the building and proceeded to examine it. Presently they unscrewed it from the wall, carried it down the ladder with infinite care, passed through the crowd of legal luminaries, who surveyed the work with indifferent eyes, out into the street and were never seen or heard of again.

MEXICAN BANDITS.

"Boss" Shepherd's Experiences With the Lawless Highwaymen.

When Alexander R. Shepherd, known in Washington circles as "Boss" Shepherd, first purchased his plantation at Batopilas, Mexico, it was 225 miles from the nearest railroad, at Chihuahua. Lawless bands wandered throughout the surrounding country. Accordingly the plantation was fortified, and a small army was carefully trained as an escort for the mail stage between Batopilas and Chihuahua and to guard the silver trains. Sometimes more than \$300,000 worth of the metal was carried at one time by mule back to Chihuahua to be minted there into Mexican dollars or deposited as bullion for an equivalent in banknotes. Naturally the presence of so much treasure in their midst invited attack from the lawless bands which prowl through these mountains.

At last one of the mule trains was attacked, the guard overpowered and the silver stolen. Shepherd in a rage spent money like water in apprehending the criminals. His offers of extravagant rewards at last brought about the capture of the bandits, and they were escorted by some Mexican soldiery to the governor of the province for trial. A few days later word came to the Shepherd hacienda that the robbers had attempted to escape on the way and had all been shot dead. At one time it was said that the Bonanza King had been responsible for this summary revenge; but, at any rate, his silver trains were afterward unmolested.

The high esteem with which he was held even by the robbers, who had thus been signally punished, was shown the time he was captured by one of their bands. He was going to Chihuahua from Batopilas when he was surprised by five highwaymen. They had pounced down on him when he had happened to fall behind his guard. He threw up his hands, kept them up and went with the brigands to a cave. There they took all the money he had on his person, feasted him with a "touching" hospitality, called him the "White Faced Silver King" and then bade him a merry goodbye.

Learning English in Japan.

A Tokyo publisher has issued a book for the benefit of Japanese desirous of learning English. It is entitled "The Young Scholar" and gives examples of English composition. Here is one, entitled "The Education of the Cat:"

"I heard that beasts and birds have the education. Indeed, I saw the fact. Several days ago my cat brought forth three kittens. When the kittens became able to eat rat, the cat brought rat without head, because she had eat the head already, and she gave her children, and they eat the rat in quarrel. After three days she brought a dead rat with head and gave them, and they eat it as before. After three days she brought the rat half dead and half alive and gave them it; but they could not eat it, and the rat contrived to escape."

The Laddie Know.

At a recent school examination by the school board an officious member intimated that he would give a certain class a lesson on "wool." After lecturing to the children for a considerable time without any appearance of attention from the class he stopped short and began questioning one dull looking boy, says the Scottish American. "Well, my boy," said he, taking hold of the boy's jacket, "what is this jacket made of?" The boy, hanging down his head, remained quite silent. "Come, come, my boy," the member coaxingly said. "Don't you know what your jacket is made of?" With eyes still on the floor the boy answered, "It was made out o' ma father's auld breeks."

Spoiled the Lecture.

"Gentlemen," recently said a German professor who was showing to his students the patients in the asylum, "this man suffers from delirium tremens. He is a musician. It is well known that blowing a brass instrument affects the lungs and the throat in such a way as to create a great thirst, which has to be allayed by persistent indulgence in strong drink; hence in course of time the disease you have before you." Turning to the patient, the professor asked, "What instrument do you blow?" and the answer was, "The violoncello."

Clothing Aflame.

If one's clothing catches fire, the flame must be smothered. If the lower garments are blazing, sit on them; if the upper garments, then a blanket or even a hearth rug may be wrapped around, and one should roll on the floor to crush out the flame while shouting for help. Many lives have been lost by people running for assistance and thus fanning the flame, instead of beginning the work of extinguishing it for themselves.

Fixing the Blame.

Magistrate—Well, Uncle Rastus, what brought you here?

Uncle Rastus—Dem two big perlicemen by de railn', yo' Honner.

Magistrate—Yes, but didn't liquor have anything to do with it?

Uncle Rastus—Yessah; day wuz bofe drunk, yo' Honner.—Chicago News.

The Christmas Delineator—A Magazine Thirty Years Old.

To do justice to this number, which for beauty and utility touches the highest mark, it would be necessary to print the entire list of contents. It is sufficient to state that in it the best modern writers are generously represented. The book contains over 230 pages, with 34 full-page illustrations, of which 20 or more are in two or more colors. The magnitude of this December number, for which 728 tons of paper and six tons of ink have been used, may be understood from the fact that 81 presses running 14 hours a day, have been required to print it; the binding alone of the edition of 915,000 copies representing over 20,900,000 sections which had to be gathered individually by human hands.

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He who runs may read—if he succeeds in catching his train.

Misery may love company, but the company seldom reciprocates.

An original girl is one who faints when no one is looking at her.

Bookkeepers and washwomen always know when to draw the line.

It is easier for the average woman to make up her face than her mind.

What has only one foot? A stocking.

How do bees dispose of their honey? They cell it.

What sort of men are always above board? Chessmen.

When is a man more than man? When he is beside himself.

Why is an echo like a lady? Because she will have the last word.

When is a clock on the stairs dangerous? When it runs down and strikes one.

It is easier for the landlord to raise the rent than it is for the tenant.

FOR RENT.

One good farm, containing 90 acres in cultivation, adapted to all crops of the county. One new 6-room residence with good barn and out building, two good tenant houses, young orchard, good water, healthy location. Situated five miles north of Smithfield, one mile from Wilson's Mills where there is a good graded school. For further particulars, apply to

REV. J. A. BLALOCK, Wilson's Mills, N. C. Nov. 27, 1902.

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A tract of 32 acres with house of two rooms and water. This is a fine tobacco and cotton land as well as for corn and grain. Apply to Mrs. W. H. Lyon, Raleigh, N. C.

SAW MILL WANTED.

I want some one with saw mill and teams to cut several different tracts of pine timber for me. Will give good price to have timber sawed. All the timber is near Clayton. J. A. VINSON, Clayton, N. C.

FOR SALE.

A farm of 71 acres four miles north of Selma; 35 acres cleared. Also a tract of 50 acres all woods. P. B. CORBETT, Selma, N. C. Nov. 19, 1902.

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Profitable.

"So you like to see automobiles spinning through this section?" interrogated the reckless chauffeur.

"You bet," answered the county sheriff. "Why, I caught three the other day, an' when I gathered in the fines I had enough to paint my dwelling an' buy a piano."—Ex.

A Good Cough Medicine.

[From the Gazette, Toowoomba, Australia.] I find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is an excellent medicine. I have been suffering from a severe cough for the last two months, and it has effected a cure. I have great pleasure in recommending it.—W. C. Wockner. This is the opinion of one of our oldest and most respected residents, and has been voluntarily given in good faith that others may try the remedy and be benefited, as was Mr. Wockner. This remedy is sold by Cavenaugh & Benson, Hood Bros., Hare & Son.

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We would like to ask, through the columns of your paper, if there is any person who has used Green's August Flower for the cure of Indigestion, Dyspepsia, and Liver Troubles that has not been cured—and we also mean their results, such as our stomach, fermentation of food, habitual costiveness, nervous dyspepsia, headaches, despondent feelings, sleeplessness—in fact, any trouble connected with the stomach or liver? This medicine has been sold for many years in all civilized countries, and we wish to correspond with you and send you one of our books free of cost. If you never tried August Flower, try a 25 cent bottle first. We have never known of its failing. If so, something more serious is the matter with you. The 25 cent size has just been introduced this year. Regular size 75 cents. At Hood Bros., druggist. G. G. Green, Woodbury, N. J.

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AND FLORENCE RAILROAD. (Condensed Schedule.)

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Table with columns: Dated May 25, 1902, No. 78 Daily, No. 102 Daily, No. 104 Daily, No. 106 Daily, No. 108 Daily, No. 110 Daily. Rows include Lv Weldon, Ar Rocky Mt., Lv Tarboro, Lv Rocky Mt., Lv Wilson, Lv Selma, Lv Fayetteville, Ar Florence, Ar Goldsboro, Lv Goldsboro, Lv Magnolia, Ar Wilmington.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Table with columns: Dated May 25, 1902, No. 78 Daily, No. 102 Daily, No. 104 Daily, No. 106 Daily, No. 108 Daily, No. 110 Daily. Rows include Lv Florence, Lv Fayetteville, Lv Selma, Ar Wilson, Lv Wilmington, Lv Goldsboro, Ar Goldsboro, Ar Rocky Mt., Ar Weldon.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Yadkin Division Main Line—Train leaves Wilmington 9:10 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 12:30 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 12:45 p. m., arrives Sanford 1:55 p. m., returning leaves Sanford 3:10 p. m., arrive Fayetteville 4:30 p. m., leave Fayetteville 4:40 p. m., arrives Wilmington 7:30 p. m.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8:11 a. m., Maxton 9:08 a. m., Red Springs 9:32 a. m., Packton 10:14 a. m., Hope Mills 10:55 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 11:10. Returning leaves Fayetteville 6:00 p. m., Hope Mills 5:25 p. m., Red Springs 5:53 p. m., Maxton 6:16 p. m., arrives Bennettsville 7:55 p. m.

Connections at Fayetteville with train No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Guilford with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train on the Scotland Neck Branch leaves Weldon 3:15 p. m., Halifax 3:29 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 4:10 p. m., Greenville 5:47 p. m., Kinston 6:45 p. m., returning leaves Kinston 7:30 a. m., Greenville 8:30 a. m., arrives Halifax at 11:05 a. m., Weldon 11:20 a. m., daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leaves Washington 9:00 a. m. and 1:45 p. m., arrives Farmville 8:55 a. m. and 3:10 p. m., returning leaves Farmville 9:15 a. m. and 3:22 p. m., arrive Washington 10:35 a. m. and 6:15 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro daily except Sunday at 4:35 p. m., Sunday 4:35 p. m., arrives Plymouth 6:35 p. m., 6:00 p. m., returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:30 a. m. and Sunday 9:0 a. m., arrives Tarboro 9:55 a. m., 11:00 a. m.

Train on Midland, N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro daily except Sunday 5:00 a. m., arrive Smithfield 6:10 a. m., Greenville 8:30 a. m., arrive Smithfield 7:00 a. m., arrive Goldsboro 8:25 a. m.

Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rock Mount at 9:30 a. m., 4:00 p. m., arrive Nashville 10:20 a. m., 4:25 p. m., Spring Hope 11:00 a. m., 4:45 p. m., returning leave Spring Hope 11:20 a. m., 5:15 p. m., Nashville 11:45 a. m., 5:45 p. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 12:10 a. m., 6:20 p. m., daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton daily except Sunday 8:30 a. m. and 4:15 p. m., returning leaves Clinton at 7:00 a. m. and 9:20 p. m.

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NOTICE.

By virtue of a power of sale, contained in a certain Mortgage deed, executed to L. D. Manning by Leroy Stillings and wife Roxanna Stillings, January 17th, 1898, and recorded in the Registry of Johnston county, North Carolina in Book U, No. 7 page 384. I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction, on Monday, December 29th 1902 at 12 o'clock M., the following tract of land lying and being in O'Neals township, Johnston county, North Carolina, and bounded as follows: On the North by Moscow creek, on the East by the lands of Bunyan creek; on the South by the lands of S. W. Creech; on the West by the lands of Clem Creek, containing forty acres.

The object of this sale is to collect balance due on the bond of ex-estate with the Mortgage. The bond is just due. This November 6, 1902. L. D. MANNING, Mortgagee.

Jno. A. NARRON, Attorney, I. D. Manning, Mortgagor.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Harriet Hranham, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 6th day of November 1902 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment. This 6th day of November 1902. JNO. A. NARRON, Administrator.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of H. S. Eason, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 10th day of November, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment. This November 6th 1902. Y. D. VINSON, Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE!

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of the late George F. Uzzle, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to me duly verified on or before November 1st, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. This October 31, 1902. LEON F. UZZLE, Administrator.

Wilson's Mills, N. C.

NOTICE!

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain deed of mortgage executed to me on January 25th, 1901, by Turner Eason and wife, Fattie C. Eason, to me, and the same recorded in the Registry of Johnston county, N. C. in Book G, No. 8, page 184, I shall, as mortgagee, sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction at the Court House door in the town of Smithfield, on Saturday, December 20th at 12 o'clock M., the following described land: A tract of land in O'Neals Township, Johnston county, N. C. adjoining the lands of T. T. Oliver, J. D. Eason, deceased, and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake J. D. Eason's line, Kerney Eason's corner; thence S. 27° poles to a stake, near the run of a branch; thence with line of Lot No. 4, said division west 35 poles to a pine; thence S. to a pine; thence N. 76 poles to a stake, corner of Lot No. 3, said division; thence W. 25 poles to a stake, corner of Lot No. 2, said division; thence with the line of said Lot No. 1, 176 poles to a stake, Kerney Eason's corner; thence with his line E. 83.50 to the beginning, containing 1964 acres. Terms Cash. Object of this sale amount due on bond this mortgage secures. This Nov. 19th, 1902. WILEY NARRON, Mortgagee.

JOHN A. NARRON, Attorney.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Sir William Johnson, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 5th day of December, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment. This 29th day of November, 1902. T. E. JOHNSON, Administrator.

NOTICE!

By virtue of the authority contained in a certain mortgage deed executed to me on the 8th day of January, 1901, by J. L. Lee and wife, A. E. Lee, and duly registered in the Registry of Johnston county in Book G, No. 7, page 184, I shall sell at auction, for cash, at the Court House door in the town of Smithfield, N. C., on Monday the 29th day of December, 1902, at 12 o'clock M., the following property, to wit: Sixty-four (64) acres of land in Bennettsville township adjoining the lands of Samuel Raynor, Dennis Grant, Scotch Westcott and others and bounded as follows: Beginning at a black gum on the run of hog-pen branch and N. 6 1/2 W. 85 poles to a stake; thence N. 7 1/2 W. 6 poles to a stake; thence S. 6 1/2 W. 2 poles to a pine, Steven's old corner; thence with that line S. 86 E. 139 poles to the run of Mill branch; thence up the run of said branch it meanders to the mouth of hog pen branch; thence up the run of said hog-pen branch as it meanders to the beginning, containing 64 acres, more or less. Terms of sale cash. This 27th day of Nov. 1902. STEPHEN WESTBROOK, Mortgagee.

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