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A woman's glory is her gown. Endesvor to think high thoughts,

The hardest beaded man was born with a soft spot.

A widow is the sandwich between a tear and a smile.

The ugly temper of a pretty woman always shows through. It is centle manners which prove so

in bitterness with wonderful rapidirresistible in women. The great principle of human satis-

faction is engagement. It is the unobstreperous dog that samples the most trousers.

Never say what you think until you have thought it several times.

"Tis astonishing how soon the whole conscience begins to ravel if a single stitch is dropped.

The sudden death of a friend of his river were found the greater part of his costume and personal belongings. own age has a greater effect on a man

including his purse and the few small than 1000 sermons. articles of jewelry which he habitually Happiness is a perfume you cannot wore. There were footprints also on pour on others, without getting a few the sand which indicated that the missdrops of it yourself.

Ether Drinking.

A curious habit now attracting attention in Ircland is that of ether drinking. According to statistics recently commented upon by Dr. Henry Conkling in the Brooklyn Medical Journal, the habit is of late years on the increase. The ether is sold to the consumers in groceries, taverns and public houses, selling for two cents (United States money) for two drams. Its very small cost enables the dose to be frequently repeated. From two drams to half an ounce is the amount usually drunk; and this is repeated from two to six times during the day, depending on the personal habits. One or two cases of confirmed drinkers are mentioned where one pint of ether was generally used, when on a debauch, in divided doses.

The amount that produces intoxication depends on the individual. The ether is drunk in a single swallow, she had to retire in defeat. sometimes diluted, and again taken pure. The intoxicating effects are quickly produced, and quickly pass away. It is pessible, therefore, for an habitue to become intoxicated many times in a short period.

A small dose causes a feeling of exhilaration, the drinker laughing, dancing and being quite wild in his movements. If the small dose be not exceeded, there is no period of marked depression following the stimulation, but in larger quantities a state of stupor is frequently present and as the effect passes away a feeling of weakness is left. Mania is a marked feature very commonly presented, the drinkers often becoming very violent. In ether drinkers who have continuously consumed large quantities, a train of nervous and circulatory disturbances is generally present. Emaciation has been observed in certain cases, and occasionally the skin is of a evanotic hue. The more moderate drinkers generally suffer from various forms of stomach troubles. In all cases there has been observed a marked change in the way of deterioration in the moral character. It is interesting to observe how common the use of other as an intoxicant must be in the districts investigated, when the public conveyances are frequently impregnated with its odor.

A Periodical Plague of Rats. The bush country of the South Island, New Zealand, is troubled by a periodical visitation of rats, which appear in the spring every four years. They are considerably different in size and general appearance from the common brown rat, being less fierce in appearance, and weighing, in fullgrown specimens, only about two ounces. They are slow and awkward In movement on the ground, but quite at home and extremely active in climbing trees. These they ascend with the nimbleness of flies, running out with amazing quickness to the very tips of the branches. Honce, when pursued, they invariably make for trees, if any are in reach, or, if not, for anything that will take them off the ground-as when a rat, disturbed by a plow, ran up the horse-reins were dragging on the ground. They betray themselves, when startled, by their cry-an indiscretion bick the common rat is rarely

guilty.- [Popular Science Monthly.

ment he came in sight, uttered a low Then hast done evil

And given place to the devil;

Yet so countingly then counceriest
The thing which then feelest, ejaculation.

That no eye espieth it, Satan himself denieth it.

Neither foe nor lover

Will the wrong uncover:

Yet know thou this:

The anake's wit evadeth not,

So thoroughly it despiseth

The thing thy band prizeth.

The charmed lip persuadeth not;

Tho' the sun were thy ciothing,

It should count thee for nothing.

Th'ne own eye divineth thee,

Thine own soul arraigneth thee

God himself cannot shrive thee

[Dorn Rend Goodale, in the Independent.

A Washington Romance.

Years ago a young man whom, for

present purposes, we may call James

Haves, lived in central Indiana. His

occupation was that of a school teach-

er; he was married, and had a pleas-

ant berth in a country town, and his

home life for a good while was con-

sidered to approach the ideal. Pres-

ently, however, dissensions sprang up

about the domestic hearth and grew

One warm summer morning, after

baving a particularly stormy inter-

view with his wife, Ilayes quitted his

dwelling with the remark that he had

had all he could endure. He did not re-

turn at the usual hour, and after a

time his wife, becoming alarmed,

aroused the neighbors, who set out to

hunt for him. In a lonely spot on

the borders of a swift-flowing, muddy

ing man had gone into the water

The stream was dragged for miles,

but to no purpose. It was believed

that he had been drowned, and the

swiftness of the current accounted for

the failure to find his body. In the

then sunk in a pool which was un-

fathomable with any of the instru-

ments at command. So the search

insurance company in which her hus-

band held a policy, but the company

could produce a more satisfactory

proof of the death than mere disap-

pearance. A law suit followed, in

which she spent on counsel fees and

costs of trial the bulk of the little

latter part of 1884. Mr. Trelawney, a

General Howe through the influence

of a Congressman from Wisconsin,

was walking home from the office

with a number of his companions. A

man in a slouch hat and with a far-

mer-like air about him, stood on the

steps of one of the cheaper hotels as

they approached it. He was observed

to start, and fix his eyes sharply on

ing, he put out his hand with an ex-

clamation of astonishment: "Well,

Jinmy Hayes, where did you come

from! We all gave you up for dead

"I beg your pardon," answered

"Oh, come now, that won't hold

you aren't Jim Hayes, who used to

teach school in our town in X-

County, Indiana, then I'll eat my

"You seem to be laboring under a

singular hallucination," responded the

young man. "These gentlemen can

His companions promptly came to

steps and the party of pedestrians

went their way. Trelawney seemed

annoved at the interruption of their

talk, but otherwise manifested no dis-

A few weeks later Trelawney was

summoned from his desk to Postmas-

ter-General Gresham's room. Beside

the Postmaster-General sat a woman

heavily veiled. The clerk changed

tell you who I am."

of Wisconsin.

Department."

composure.

Trelawney, frigidly, "my name is not

a half-dozen years ago!"

was finally abandoned.

naked, probably for a bath.

Till that judge forgive thee.

At quick of thy bring

Is an eye, all seeing,

There is none that accuseth thee;

And thy own past praiseth thee.

"Shut the door, Trelawney," he This was done. "Now, madam, raise your veil."

The woman obeyed. "Trelawney, did you ever see that lady before?"

"I never did." The clerk's teeth shut tightly. General Gresham plainly believed

his subordinate was lying. "Madamo, is this the man you think

is your husband?" The woman, almost swooning, staggered forward, threw herself upon Trelawney's breast, and burst into tears. He flinched not, however.

The Postmaster-General touched his bell, a side door opened and a group of men entered, headed by the stranger who had accosted Trelawney in the street. The party were old neighbors of the Hayes family, and they crowded forward, one after another adding testimony in support of Mrs. Hayes' identification.

This was too much for the clerk, He faltered a little at first in his sturdy denials, and at length broke down completely and confessed that he was none other other than James Haves: that he had deserted his home because he could no longer endure its atmosphere of contention; and that he had endeavored to atone for his folly by starting the world anew and trying to make a man of himself.

The Postmaster-General heard his story through and then informed him that he must hand in his resignation without delay. In vain the young man pleaded that he should now have greater expenses to bear than before, and hence would be in geater need of his salary. He also called to mind his valuable services as a clerk and his repeated promotions for merit.

No plea availed him. The Postmaster-General insisted that he wanted no one about the Department who had ever been obliged to resort to an alias; that a man who had deliberately deceived the Congressman whose influence had procured him his office, and had kept up the deception with his official superiors, could not be trusted to tell the truth to anybody, and hence had no business in the service of the United States Government.

The elerk bowed to his fate and went away. He gave up all his spare opinion of the neighbors, it had been carried through some rapids further time for some months, to study. The down, probably badly mutilated, and afterwards Meanwhile Haves had passed a civil service examination The widow then applied to the life declined to pay her a penny till she ter-General Vilas.

ality can bury himself in it if he Free Press. property she already had; but the chooses. When Haves came back. courts sided with the corporation, and there were, of course, a few of his old chains who knew his story. For

ment to undergo. ington, but that after their marriage Trelawney's face. Suddenly advancof her taking his.

the pseudonym of Mr. Trelawney- cans. Haves is one of the most faithful and | Canned Currants-To every quart efficient clerks now in the Depart- of currants allow half a pound of ment. The only evidence that any sugar. Put in a porcelain-lined kettle water," exclaimed the rustic. "If one here knows his secret is when one and cook together for fifteen minutes member of a group of Government and can. clerks has a varu to spin about a my- Gooseberries-Pick and wash the ments with a significant air:

> but I wouldn't dare tell it for the can and seal. world."- [New York Post.

his relief by assuring the stranger A R minder of Pioneer Days. that he was addressing Mr. Trelawney An extra train arrived at Santa Rosa the other afternoon in charge of Con-"And you aren't a schooltencher, ductor James Van Winkle and Fred either?" persisted the incredulous Hanschildt. It was not drawn by the Hoskins motor, neither by a steam Trelawney, who was moving away. engine, but was a genuine '49 mule paid no attention to the question, but train with pack-saddles rigged upon one of his friends, in order to cut off each animal ready for business. They any further parley, threw back the came from San Luis Obispo and Santa answer: "Oh, no; Mr. Trelawney is Cruz and were en route to Rogue river, well-known man in the Postoffice Oregon, via Crescent City, where the owners have taken a contract - to peel The stranger did not appear at all and pack out a quantity of tan bark at of sugar and one pint of current satisfied, but he returned to the hotel

a shipping point by scows is about one and a half miles. Fifty men and 100 Put in glass cans. mules will be employed on the job. Each mule packs about one-quarter of canning it should be set in dry, dark a cord of bark, which weighs about place. Cans should be examined two 500 pounds. The mule train attracted or three days after filling, and if considerable attention while it re- leaking from the rim, they should be mained in the city, and in one or two unsealed, and the fruit cooked down instances brought tears to the eyes of into jam, or used in some other way, the pioneer miner, who had not guzed and not returned to the cans. color slightly as his eye fell on her agure, and his chief, who had been atudying his face keenly from the Democrat.

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

TO FRESHEN RANCID BUTTER. To freshen rancid butter, kneed it in fresh sallk, then with pure water. By this treatment the butter is rendered sweet and fresh as when first made, as the butyric acid, to which the rancid taste and odor are owing, is really soluble in fresh milk and is thus removed .- New York Sun,

POTTERY PIPKINS.

There are no utensils for cooking at once so inexpensive and welt suited to their purpose of producing a slow, steady ebullition as pipkins of pottery or istoneware. If they are handled with care they will last a long time. Stewed fruit, acid vegetables, like tomatoes and grains of various kinds are far more delicious cooked in such a pot than anything else. The best of these pipkins are made of hard pottery of the same material fire brick is made of and they last for a long time. Pipkins of soft, underglazed earthenware, like the Boston bean pots, are much less expensive than the kettles made of hard stoneware; but they do not last long. They cannot be safely used on the hottest part of the stove Capital. - . \$100,000 without cracking. They are very nice, however, when used to cook stewed fruits in the oven, and in this way will last a long time. As the two quart size may be purchased for ten cents, one can afford to renew them occasionally .- [New York Herald.

HOW TO TREAT CHAMOIS SKINS. Considering what a useful thing a chamois skin is, it is astonishing that there is so much ignorance as to the proper way of keeping it in order and lengthening its term of service. Chamois skins should never be left in water after being used, but should be wrung out and hung up to dry, being spread out carefully, so as to leave no wrinkles. They should not be used to wipe off colors, as paint stains form hard spots and make the skin wear out sooner. Chamois was never intended to wipe the face and hands with, which makes the skin become greasy. Never put a chamois skin into warm water; anything above lukewarm water will carl it up, making it become thick, tough and useless.

To bring back chamois that has been ruined by grease or paint, or used as Democrats came into power not long rag, the following is recommended. Take a bucket of clean water which has been made fairly but not too with a very high marking. He found strong with ammonia; soak the skin friends who had sufficient faith in the in it over night, and next morning sincerity of his new purpose in life to rinse it out in pure water, after which come to his support as witnesses to his use pure white castile soap and water character, etc., and under his own freely. The whole operation, aside name he was one of the first eligibles from the soaking, need take no longer chosen for appointment by Postmas- than a quarter of an hour, and it makes the skin in reality better than The Postoffice Department is large. It was before, having freed it from A man who is not of obtrusive person- lint and other impurities .- [Detroit

DIRECTIONS FOR CANNING FRUITS.

Small fruits, berries, currants and Some years passed. One day in the the most part they guarded it. He cherries for canning should be selected \$1400 clerk in the Postoffice Depart- city from that in which he lived while used, as well as the best sugar, writes ment at Washington, who had been playing the role of Mr. Trelawney, Mrs. E. R. Parker in the Courierappointed originally by Postmaster- and hence, had little social readjust- Journal. The self-scaling glass jars are preferable to any others. When A few inquiries made inside and ready the cans should be set in a large out of the Department were silenced pan of warm water, and set on the by the statement that his sudden re | back of the stove. The syrup may be signation was caused by the illness of prepared and the fruit added. When his affianced wife, whom he had left the cans are ready they should be filled in the West when he came to Wash- as full as possible and set aside where no cold air will strike them. Strawshe improved so that he returned with berries, raspberries and blackberries. her; and the change of name was ac- after being carefully picked over, counted for on the ground that her should be put in a porcelain-lined ketmaiden name was Hayes, and that the and set on the stove, and let come some property 'expectations' were in- to a boil, when a quarter of a pound volved in his taking her name instead of sugar should be added for every pound of fruit. As soon as well The person I have described under | heated the berries should be put in the

sterious disappearance or a life in- berries; put in a kettle with water to surance contest, and another com- cover. Let cook twenty minutes; add half a pound of sugar to every pound "I know a story worth two of that, of fruit and let simmer ten minutes;

Canned Cherries-Stone ripe cherries, if Morelloes or other varieties. Allow half a pound of sugar to a pound of fruit. If sweet cherries, a quarter of a pound of sugar to a pound of fruit will be sufficient. Cook the fruit and sugar together for twenty minutes and can.

Canned Pie Plant-Cut in pieces two inches long; put over a slow fire, with equal quantities of sngar. Let cook slowly until clear, and can.

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