

GOOD SHORT STORIES

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WASHINGTON. — "Generous deeds are often done, which are never chronicled," says Senator Dillingham of Vermont. "Benevolence beamed from every lineament of the countenance of Deacon Dobbs. He was leaning out of the second-story window of his beautiful home, when a weary, travel-stained tramp entered the front gate, and, kneeling upon the grass, apparently exhausted, he began to pray. The sun was almost torrid, so intense were its beams. The poor tramp rested a few minutes, and then began doing the Nebuchadnezzar act, eating grass as the cattle eat it. Good old Deacon Dobbs was moved almost to tears, as he noted the ravenous manner in which the tramp tore the grass with his teeth. Calling from the cool upper chamber, Deacon Dobbs asked: 'Tell me, my poor man, are you really so hungry?'

"Nigh a most starved to death," my heart bleeds for you, exclaimed good Deacon Dobbs. 'Go around in the back yard and eat all the grass you want. It is much longer there. Help yourself and get a plenty, my good man. My heart bleeds for you, to see you hunger so.'

It was Nellie's eighth birth day, and she was having a very happy time with her birthday party. The dinner was everything good that a fond mother and an indulgent father could prepare. The cake was a beauty, and the candies burned a long time. When time came to put them out, Mamma put out one, Nellie put out one, Papa put out one. Then Uncle Jim was about to put out one, and make a wish, and Nellie stopped him, saying: 'Three birth days, Uncle Jim, you've wished for a baby brother for me; and that won't do this time, cause I won't have no baby brother, no matter how much you wish it.'

Lots of human nature contained in that protest.

The teacher had explained to the whole school that the English sparrows had been brought to this country for the purpose of destroying the worms, particularly in our city parks. But now, she said, they have multiplied until they have become a nuisance themselves.

"Children, which do you think is the greatest nuisance or the most disagreeable, now, the worms or the sparrows?"

"I dunno," said Johnny Johnson. "I ain't never had the sparrows."

The daughter of the writer recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. She is a young woman of experience in hospital work and fully understood the gravity of her condition. When she recovered from the anesthetic, one of the physicians told her that as soon as she was convalescent she should go out for airings in his automobile.

"By the way," he said, "one of my big tires was punctured today."

"I was punctured, too, today," said the sick girl with a smile.

Col. Bill Sterrett of Texas was entertained by the sergeant-at-arms of

the senate, and was handed a bill of fare at the club room which he discarded, saying: "I can't read French, but I can eat French fashion, anything you may order."

"How would you like an omelette soufflé?" inquired the host.

"Never saw or heard of that sort of game, but I'll tackle it if you do," was Sterrett's reply.

"Feeling of it afterwards, Sterrett said: 'When they brought the thing onto the table, I could barely see the grey hair of the sergeant-at-arms over the top of the big dishful. I heard him say: 'Carve it, Bill,' so I took up a big knife and stuck it, and the thing exploded. It was the first time I ever saw served a dish of baked wind. That's all it was.'

"Uncle Jerry" Rusk was governor of Wisconsin, when President Cleveland made his tour of the northwest when he was royally received everywhere. The state house at Madison was being decorated for the coming event, and Mike Donahoe was the factotum in charge of the work. Gov. Rusk made some suggestions, one afternoon, concerning the rearrangement of some of the flags, and Mike was greatly pleased. He said:

"That'll make th' place look much purtier, Governor, an' Ollie fix 'em up this very afternoon, sir."

"All right, Mike," replied the governor. "You see there's truth in the old saying that two heads are better than one, even if one is a sheep's head."

"Yes, Governor," was the quick retort, "an' th' other Orlish."

Brynm and Tracewell are big fellows; giants from Indiana. Brynm was once a great Democratic leader in the house of representatives, and now he is commissioner of laws. Tracewell was once a Republican congressman, but now he is comptroller of the treasury. Each of them is over six feet tall, and each one weighs over 200 pounds. The big fellows are great chums; cronies in fact.

Two or three evenings each week they play billiards in one of the prominent hotels. They play like boys at marbles, and are joking each other all of the time. One evening this week, Tracewell spent three or more minutes studying a shot. He walked around the table twice, squinted at the balls, turned around again and again, and Brynm whispered to the writer:

"Say, Smith; did you ever watch a big dog going to bed?"

Little George Reid was red-headed and freckle-faced; and he knew it. Everybody told him of it, and he concluded that the mark of Cain was upon him. Although only eight years old, he was depressed, and felt that he was doomed to be inferior to others, because he was red-headed and freckle-faced. One day the whole school was asked to tell why George Washington was a great man, and little George Reid answered instantly:

"Because he wasn't red-headed and freckle-faced."

"One of the queerest subjects that I met during all of my work," says a census enumerator, "was a lady in Davenport, Ia. She gave me her name,



JOHN RENNIE

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An old man of the sea in point of service, but a youngster in looks and actions is John Rennie, purser of the Lamport & Holt steamship Tennyson. The Tennyson, in the New York and Brazil service of the line, calls between the ports of New York and Rio de Janeiro at Bahia, Santos, Pernambuco and Barbados. His term of sea service covers an uninterrupted period of more than 40 years.

and all other information that was desired or required, until I demanded her age. She demurred, as they all do, and I insisted. Finally, she said: 'I will probably give you my age tomorrow, but I cannot give it today. It is impossible.'

"Of course I told her the law, and all that, but she never witted. She said she wanted to delay, and at last she gave this reason:

"I'm not ashamed to give my age, as so many others women are; but I am a twin sister. I cannot give my

age, without giving her away, and she would be offended. I must see her first, and you must call tomorrow for my age."

"Being unable to do better, I went away and called the following morning. The lady had gone to Chicago. I never saw her afterwards."

Col. Henry Watterson lectured in Washington, and Frank Hatton introduced him thus:

"The lecturer of the evening is a great editor—for Kentucky. I am here to introduce him, and also to complete

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a tableau. The subject of the lecture is 'Money and Morals.' Col. Watterson knows a great deal about money."

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher once introduced a country clergyman who was successfully delivering a very unique lecture on "The Devil," by saying: "I am very sure that the audience will be entertained because the lecturer is full of his subject."

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

The time-recording camera lately patented in England takes a photograph of any rapidly passing object, the exposures ranging from one-twenty-fifth to one-thousandth of a second, and at the same time photographs a watch, thus giving the exact time. With two such cameras and synchronized watches the police can obtain a picture of a motor car at each end of a measured strip of road, the exact speed being made easily obtainable from these data.

The precision of modern observations brings to light unexpected facts. At the Paris observatory Jean Mascart has noticed that the surface of a thin layer of mercury is not plane, but undulated

like water disturbed by the plunge of a stone, and has also detected another movement that proves to be a true tide, due to the sun and moon. The measurements have been made repeatedly during a month with the six microscopes of the instrument. The tidal motion is light, but greater than the possible errors.

The hay-fever serum, or pollinane, of Dr. Dunbar of Hamburg is shown to have proven very effective. Having first proven that hay fever is due to the pollen plants the investigator sought a preventative by repeated vaccination of animals with the pollen of pollen. The anti-toxin thus produced in the blood serum neutralizes the poisonous effects of pollen in the eyes and nose. The serum is not injected under the skin, like others, but simply applied to nose and eyes.

Headache and other ills of over-crowded rooms are found by Dr. Paul of Breslau to be due to retention of the heat by the body, even the percent of carbon dioxide doing no harm in a regulated temperature.

A new heat-resisting material is carbonylurea, or silicon carbide, in uncrystallized form, and when it is mixed with about 10 or 12 percent of its weight of a thin, syrupy solution of sodium silicate, the result is a plastic substance that is easily molded and that can be stamped into place and slowly dried out. As a lining in a crucible furnace, it will resist several linings of fire brick. Another mixture that can be used is a mortar of 50 to 60 parts of clay, and this material has proven successful for the walls of lead and copper smelting furnaces and in other places exposed to intense heat.

The newly patented electric cooking stove of Prof. Eliza Thomson is heavily jacketed outside with a layer of asbestos, fire clay or mineral wool, and is provided with a lid of the same character. Inside is placed a mass of refractory substance within which is embedded a granular resistance material. Silicon is recommended as a resistance material, as it has a high specific resistance, and acquires a suitable temperature without fusing or oxidizing. The whole interior of the stove can be kept red hot, and it is anticipated that the running cost for cooking through the day will not be excessive.

Body burning gains favor slowly. Statistics of the French Society for the encouragement of cremation show that there are now 66 crematories in Europe and America, and in these 125,000 bodies have been incinerated. Germany has nine crematories, in which 1,381 bodies were burned in 1904, a gain of 300 over the previous year. South America is becoming interested, and Buenos Ayres reports 270 cremations for last year.

In the leprosy experiments at Manila, 25 cases have been treated by Roentgen rays, and 6 are reported actually cured, while the disease has been checked in several whose bodies are partially gone.

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JOHN P. HAINES, PRESIDENT S. P. C. A. LIKELY TO BE DEPOSED.

The Reform association of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, has issued a bulletin attacking John P. Haines, the president, explaining why it deplored the Haines method of management and urging his deposition. A bill was introduced in the New York legislature imposing a tax of \$2 a year on dogs and transferring the dog licensing power from the S. P. C. A. to the health department. Should the bill become a law, the society will lose its chief source of income. This amounted to \$65,000 last year.



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A beautiful stock for Ladies and Misses. Every known style; some extremely plain, while others have a graduation of pretty trimmings, to suit the wishes of every lady.	We have them in a variety of styles, with all the newest trimmings, in lace, embroidery and perfectly plain effects. Full of good quality muslin, and worth every cent usually asked, but during this big sale, they will be sold like this—	All first quality muslin; plain, embroidery and lace trimmed; made with full flounce and deep double ruffle. Examples of the very best workmanship. They will fit right and always hang well.	One of the prettiest lines ever offered to the ladies of Salt Lake. In all the latest cuts; high, medium and low neck, in loose and tight fitting patterns. Daintily trimmed with Valenciennes and Tureen lace embroidery and wash ribbons, etc., etc.	For Ladies and Misses, in the Empire high and low neck, in all styles of lace, embroidery and ribbon trimming. An elegant article offered represents a bona fide reduction in price, the materials being exactly the same as have brought much higher prices heretofore. Just think of getting 75c SLIPS for.....	The following are just a few hints of the many bargains in infants' wear for this sale. Every article offered represents a bona fide reduction in price, the materials being exactly the same as have brought much higher prices heretofore. Just think of getting 75c SLIPS for.....
15c DRAWERS.....10c	65c CHEMISE.....40c	75c SKIRTS.....50c	55c Corset Covers for.....20c	75c GOWNS.....35c	10c SLIPS.....45c
25c DRAWERS.....15c	75c CHEMISE.....50c	100c SKIRTS.....65c	40c Corset Covers for.....25c	100c GOWNS.....50c	15c SLIPS.....60c
25c DRAWERS.....20c	100c CHEMISE.....65c	125c SKIRTS.....80c	50c Corset Covers for.....25c	125c GOWNS.....95c	15c SLIPS.....95c
30c DRAWERS.....20c	125c CHEMISE.....80c	150c SKIRTS.....95c	65c Corset Covers for.....40c	150c GOWNS.....1.15	25c SLIPS.....1.50
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50c DRAWERS.....30c	200c CHEMISE.....1.35	250c SKIRTS.....1.95	100c Corset Covers for.....65c	250c GOWNS.....1.60	50c SLIPS.....2.40
50c DRAWERS.....30c	250c CHEMISE.....1.70	300c SKIRTS.....2.70	150c Corset Covers for.....95c	300c GOWNS.....1.95	50c SLIPS.....3.00
1.00 DRAWERS.....65c	275c CHEMISE.....1.90	350c SKIRTS.....3.40	175c Corset Covers for.....1.15	350c GOWNS.....2.25	50c SLIPS.....3.85
1.25 DRAWERS.....1.35	300c CHEMISE.....2.25	400c SKIRTS.....4.35	200c Corset Covers for.....1.60	400c GOWNS.....2.70	Now Mothers, when at this sale, do not forget the Children's wear. Such opportunities for getting Bargains are rarely offered, so buy plentifully, even though you do not need the articles at present.
1.50 DRAWERS.....2.20	350c CHEMISE.....2.65	450c SKIRTS.....5.25	250c Corset Covers for.....1.95	450c GOWNS.....3.60	
1.75 DRAWERS.....2.75	400c CHEMISE.....2.70	500c SKIRTS.....6.25	300c Corset Covers for.....2.70	500c GOWNS.....5.75	
2.00 DRAWERS.....3.40	500c CHEMISE.....3.40	600c SKIRTS.....6.95			

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25c MADRAS, 32 inches wide, in fancy stripe effects, suitable for Ladies' Waists, Children's Dresses or Men's Shirts, purchased to sell at 25c a yard, during this sale.....	PEPPERIL BLEACHED SHEETINGS.	COLORED OUTINGS.	15c COTTON COVERS, suitable for Ladies' and Children's Dresses, an unequalled wearing quality, worth every cent of 15c a yard, during this sale.....
15c PERCALES, 36 inches wide, in light and dark colors, regular price is 15c a yard, but during this sale we will sell it at.....	Size 42 inch, sale price.....14c	Regular 12 1/2c quality.....10c	10c HOPE BLEACHED MUSLIN, an exceptional value at this regular price. We will have to place a limit of 10 yards to a customer on this at, per yard.....
15c NEWPORT CHEVIOTS, a very pretty line, sold regularly at 15c, will go during sale at.....	Size 44 inch, sale price.....15c	Regular 10c quality.....8c	
	Size 6-4 sale price.....19c	Regular 8 1/2c quality.....7c	
	Size 8-4, sale price.....22 1/2c	25% OFF ALL QUILTS.	
	Size 9-4 sale price.....25c	A \$2.25 Quilt.....\$1.80	
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		A \$4.75 Quilt.....\$3.00	

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