

PLAYING THE GAME CALLED "SLANDER"

I THINK most grown-ups look back with real delight to the games they used to play at parties when they were children, writes Rev. Lawson Carter Rich in the New York American. There was "Old Family Couch," with its somewhat hideous frolic and the possibility of finding yourself without a seat, and "Copenhagen," and "Going to Jerusalem," and many others. Most of these games involved a large circle of chairs placed close together, and however full the room might be, no one ever complained of being too crowded. "Slander" was sufficiently interesting for the opportunity it afforded of whispering softly into some fair listener's ear, the possible scientific value of the results obtained never seriously interfering with the enjoyment of the sport.

The time was to start going some bit of information by speaking confidentially to the person on your right. This player would then relay the information in similar fashion to the next neighbor, and so the game proceeded. The starting point of the proceedings came when the circle had been completed, and the statement that had first been made was announced, together with the result after it had been passed through so many hands. A very modest remark referring to the amiable qualities of some member of the party, after having been related from one to another, would have been received, and would cause much astonishment and many blushing when finally repeated at the close of the game.

Whether the game was originally proposed by some very wise person, who, in the dawn of civilization, feeling impressed by the dangers resulting from indiscriminate gossip, took his method of indicating a lesson under the guise of sport, is probably unknown. But it might very well have been one of this exhibition of the danger of repeating little statements, more or less true, which may have been caught up in conversation with friends, and which may not always have a tendency to work to our neighbor's good. "Bad news travels swiftly" is an old, old saying, and there is a great deal of truth in it.

Why we should take delight in repeating anything that has an unpleasant sound, one of those difficult questions which will probably never be satisfactorily answered, but it is certainly a fact that people enjoy listening to gossip stories, without regard to their truth. Many worthy persons, very scrupulous in other respects, seem to have no hesitancy in repeating statements as bona fide facts when they really know nothing about their truth or falsity. I fancy that this is one of the evils forbidden by the commandments, especially the one forbidding us to bear false witness against thy neighbor."

Deliberately premeditated lies are certainly the foundation of a great deal of harm. If we know that our neighbor is addicted to "drawing the long bow," we never can tell what to depend upon when he makes a statement; we take all he has to say, more or less, with a pinch of salt, realizing that we have to form our own conclusions from such premises as he may present to us, as to what really are the true facts in any given case.

But a much more insidious evil is the habit of making apparently innocent statements which in reality reflect upon our neighbors, and for which we have no warrant. What makes the matter worse is that there is frequently not the least possible occasion for these random remarks except a desire to make ourselves appear interesting to our friends. I once heard an estimable lawyer make the statement that it was a well recognized axiom that a policeman had no respect whatever for his oath.

There are surely notable exceptions to this sad criticism of the regard in which the truth is held by the noble defenders of the peace. I certainly shall not tell you what particularly the broad statement was made. But one cannot but feel that it is a rather curious criticism on the present state of our civilization that we find it necessary to exact an oath at all to secure from a person upon whose testimony the fate of a fellow-being depends an honest statement of the facts as he sees them.

A decent deal of business is done upon the assumption that the person you are doing business with will deceive you whenever it is to his interest to do so. You "give no credence to his word," and you feel it necessary to substantiate all his statements by some concrete evidence of the facts which he proclaims.

More pitiful possibly is the harm done in underestimating people's characters by retelling gossip which may have no basis in fact. Holy church teaches us that if we are conscious of having done our neighbor an injury through any misuse of our power of speech we must make amends. "The last of our ability, and under the harm we have overthrown, Earnest souls, convicted of the wrong they have done through making statements that have worked to another's hurt, suffer most keenly from the realization, no matter how imperfect it may be, or how far the evil has gone, and how impossible it is to recall it.

"For every idle word thou madest give an account!" Oh how many idle words I have spoken! One of the most interesting inventions of the last few years is an application of the discovery that telephone messages could be recorded more easily with a perfect diaphragm steel wire without leaving the slightest trace visible to the eye, even when aided by the most powerful microscope. When a telephone is equipped with this wonderful bit of apparatus the wire passes rapidly near the diaphragm of the sending instrument while messages are being spoken into it, being rolled upon the reel as it unrolls itself from another.

The message having been completed, the process is reversed, and the wire slowly unwinding from the first spool is capable of reproducing in the diaphragm of the receiving instrument the words which were spoken by the sender; thus even after the loss of an

indefinite length of time. Oh, my friends, did it ever occur to you that in every wall of the room in which you live may be capable of recording the sounds which are uttered within them? Every idle word that we have spoken has been recorded. To be heard again on the lips of that great day when we shall all be gathered to give an account of our lives!

COWBOYS' HIGH HEELS GO IN THE DISCARD

Stolid boots with broad military heels are passing the long splashed feed蒙古靴 boots off the map and in its place comes something else. That is, the sounds which are uttered within them. Every idle word that we have spoken has been recorded. To be heard again on the lips of that great day when we shall all be gathered to give an account of our lives!

slip through the saloon and when that happened the man was usually dragged to justice by his boot heel. And the saddle was about the only one there was around a cattle ranch. Wild cattle always charged on a man on foot. A horseman could get away from him to a man on a locomotive but the moment he stepped on the saddle that man could either go for him or stampede.

Now days have changed and with them the ways of the world. The men of the big western ranches have been cut up and refined. The cattle have been tamed. cowboy goods almost as much time as they run around the country or fixing fence posts in the saddle. Therefore a new heel had to be adopted one that would protect him in the saddle and make walking easy.

He found the combination in the Orlon boots. Some have tried to imitate the Orlon cowboy boots and have even gone so far as to advertise them as such, but they have not been able to find the rawhides.

Customers all over the earth country, some of his boots even go to Canada and Mexico. His trade consists almost entirely of individual customers. He makes his boots by hand. It costs about 60 cents to make a pair of boots. He paid Uncle Sam a postage bill of nearly \$1,000 last year.

In the summer he works all the time in the sun. In winter he is working near constantly. The shoe-maker's trade is dying out in America. So the firm sends to Europe for its men. It advances the money for their

trip and lets them pay it back as they can. There is something unusual in Mr. Hays the master, rolling up his shirt-sleeves. Thus he can continue working up in Montana. His boots sell for 25 cents apiece. They are made in ordinary freight railroad cars. The long round trip to the west cost him \$100 miles from a shanty town. The nearest shop was 100 miles away.

LAST SUNDAY EXCURSION

Of the season to Ogden via Ogden Short Line, Sunday, October 26. Round trip \$1.00. Choice of 10 trains

IMPORTANT AND TIMELY UNDER-PRICE OFFERINGS

That show the kind of Price-Making that is going on in all Departments Next Week. You people with great needs and small purses take notice of these Offerings below. They are Bargains--great big substantial Bargains.

MONDAY!

\$12 Trimmed Hats at \$7.75

You will be charmed with their attractiveness and style—made of high quality materials, fashionably trimmed—medium and large effects—all the new colors and black—no two alike—Hats of equal elegance and goodness would cost at least \$12.00, these have just come by express for Monday's selling. While 28 of them last—Choices for

\$7.75

MONDAY!

35c Bleached Bed Sheet

10-4 or 2½ yards wide—for one day—Limit 10 yards to a customer at a yard.

26c

MONDAY!

\$2.00 White Sill Curtains

In Cable Net and Madras—Woven effects—2½ and 3 yard lengths—Special for one day at per pair—

\$1.18

MONDAY!

15c Twilled BABY FLANNELS

In cream or white—for one day—Limit 12 yards to a customer at a yard—

9c

MONDAY!

75c Hemstitched Linen Dresser Scarf

18 inches wide and 36 inches long—for one day, 1 to a customer at each—

44c

MONDAY!

\$1.25 COUCH COVERS

In Persian stripe effects—7 yards long and 40 in. wide—for one day—some to a customer at each—

59c

MONDAY!

75c TABLE FELT

A heavy quality used as a protection for dining room tables. For one day 1 yards to a customer at a yard—

39c

MONDAY!

10c APRON GINGHAM

The genuine American Brand—900 gms. checks of all sizes—for one day—12 yards to a customer at a yard—

63c

MONDAY!

Ladies' Union Suits

Best \$1.00 Value at 59c

Pure white fine ribbed Union Suits in all sizes, a heavy dressed best \$1.00 grade on sale Monday at

69c

MONDAY!

MOVE COUGH

THE POWER AND WORK OFF A COLD WITH THE ORIGINAL COUGH SYRUP
BEST FOR A COLD
GEO. T. BRUCE DRUG CO.,
109 Main—Kenyon Pharmacy.

Infants' hand embroidered jackets in greatest variety of nobby styles, regular \$1.89 values on sale next week at

99c

ESTABLISHED 1864.

F. Auerbach & Bro.
ONE PRICE TO ALL. NEVER UNDERSOLD.

MONDAY!

Undressed Kid Gloves

Best \$2.00 Grades on Sale at \$1.39 Pair.

Trefouisse, finest quality French undressed Kid Gloves in black only, the very best \$2.00 Gloves, Monday at

\$1.39

MONDAY!

Ladies' Cashmere Hose

Best 50c Grades at 39c Pair

Ladies' best 36c quality fine cashmere hose with gray marmoset stripes, on entire sole, the greatest Monday sale, Auerbach at a pair

39c

MONDAY!

Ladies' Fleeced Hose

35c Grade at 18c Pair

Ladies' heavy fleeced fine seamless hose in all sizes, with extra elastic ribbed top on sale Monday at a pair

19c

MONDAY!

Children's Cashmere Hose

Best 50c Value at 35c Pair

Children's extra fine quality cashmere wool hose with gray marmoset hose and toes in fast black, all sizes, on entire sole, Monday at a pair

35c

MONDAY!

Children's Fleeced Cotton Hose

Best 15c Grade at 18c

Fast black fleeced cotton hose in all children's sizes, the best 18c grade Monday only at a pair

10c

MONDAY!

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns

Best \$1.25 Grade at 75c

Extra good quality ladies' outing flannel gowns in a variety of styles, all excellent \$1.25 values on sale Monday at a pair

75c

MONDAY!

Buy Boys' Clothing and Gent's Furnishings

Where You Can Most Economically

The one place in Salt Lake of which is always true is Auerbach's

The Goods you get here are always dependable, and you may always rest assured that you are getting all the value at each price that any fair-minded person expects.

Gray Clothes the Style

Boys know—and it always pays to satisfy them. You'll both be satisfied with our \$1.00 GRAY KNICKERBOCKER SUITS—think of getting them at this price per suit.

\$6.95

Russian Blouses in Voge

Boys' from 2½ to 7 years look neat and comfortable clad in good fitting Russian blouse suits and more particularly in winter, our \$6 and \$7 values—rich in quality and pattern—

\$4.35

50c Boys' Fleeced Lined Underwear

Scalped and hemstitched, for one day, our pair to a customer at a pair

29c

10c Pillow Shams

Scalped and hemstitched, for one day, our pair to a customer at a pair

39c

50c Boys' Fleeced Lined Underwear

Scalped and hemstitched, for one day, our pair to a customer at a pair

29c

10c CREAM SHAKER FLANNEL

Best week, per yard

9c

16-20 CANTON FLANNEL AND BLEACHED SHAKER SLANNEL, BEST WOOL

per yard

12½c

40 WHITE WOOL FLANNEL

Best week, per yard

28c

50c TWILLED ALL-WOOL SHIRTING AND SKIRTING FLANNELS

in gray, navy blue, black and red, next week, per yard

37½c