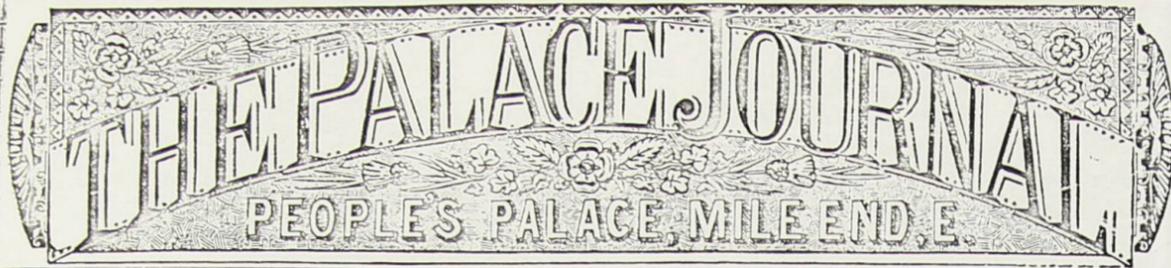


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Coming Events.

THURSDAY, July 31st.—Library open from 10 to 5 and from 6 to 10, free.—Newspapers may be seen from 8 a.m.—Cycling Club.—Run to Tottenham.

FRIDAY, August 1st.—Library open from 10 to 5 and from 6 to 10, free.—Newspapers may be seen from 8 a.m.—Orchestral Society.—Rehearsal, at 8.—Rambler's Club.—Committee Meeting, at 8.

SATURDAY, August 2nd.—Library open from 10 to 5 and from 6 to 10, free.—Newspapers may be seen from 8 a.m.—Chess Club Practice, at 7.—Lawn Tennis Club Practice, at 3.—Cycling Club.—To Portsmouth and Isle of Wight.—Junior Chess and Draughts Club, at 8.—Concert by People's Palace Military Band—Banjo, Mr. James Dunn—in Queen's Hall, at 8.

SUNDAY, August 3rd.—Organ Recitals, at 12.30, 4, and 8.—Library open from 3 till 10, free.

MONDAY, August 4th.—Library closed.—Mr. and Mrs. Du-Val's Entertainment, in Queen's Hall, at 3.—Ballad Concert and Costume Recital, "The Bohemian Girl," under the direction of Madame Alice Barth, in Queen's Hall, at 8.

TUESDAY, August 5th.—Library open from 10 to 5 and from 6 to 10, free.—Newspapers may be seen from 8 a.m.—Willett's Minstrel Troupe, in Queen's Hall, at 8. Admission Twopence.

WEDNESDAY, August 6th.—Library open from 10 to 5 and from 6 to 10, free.—Newspapers may be seen from 8 a.m.—Band of the Fourth Volunteer Battalion East Surrey Regiment. Conductor, Mr. A. R. Spriggs, in Queen's Hall, at 8. Vocalist, Mr. Joseph Hoffmann.

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NEXT session's EVENING CLASSES will commence Monday, September 29th. Time tables will be ready by the end of August.

SCIENCE AND ART EXAMINATION RESULTS.

MODEL DRAWING.

(Continued from last week.)

1st Excellent.—Priestley, George W.
1st Class.—Ward, Arthur L.
2nd Class.—Driver, Harriette; Nutter, Arthur E.; Ganly, Walter; Saxby, William F.; Fryer, John E. G.; Burnham Frederick J.; Pratt, Frederick W.; Aldridge, Joseph; Barnett, Hyman; Dowsett, Frank D.; Bourne, Frederick W.; Merritt, George L.; Beard, Horace; Amor, George W.; Newman, Charles; Darling, Henry A.; Lowman, Frank H.; Carr, Henry G.; Edwards, James G.

PERSPECTIVE DRAWING.

(Continued from last week.)

1st Excellent.—Clark, Benjamin; Beirne, Edgar H.; Nutter, Arthur E.; Everett, James; Wild, Alfred C.; Alderton, Horace; Pratt, Frederick W.; Willshire, Edward; Barnett, Hyman; Lowman, Frank H.; Priestley, George W.; Edwards, James G.
1st Class.—Page, Frederick C. J.; Ashford, William; Parrish, Robert C.; Course, Arthur H.; Miller, William J.; Lumsden, Alexander J.; Muckleston, William J.
2nd Class.—Butler, Horace; Beirne, Sydney A.; Winfield, Joseph C.; Rosenberg, Barnet; Aldridge, Joseph; Newman, Charles; Howard, Herbert B.; Smail, Stephen G.; Durrant, Ernest W.; Brinkman, William J.; Murray, George J.; Judd, Alfred E.

FREEHAND DRAWING.

(Continued from last week.)

1st Class, Excellent.—Vyse, Thomas W.; White, Arthur J.; Butler, Horace; Welch, Albert J.
1st Class.—Newling, James; Worledge, Albert G.; Parsons, Alfred.
2nd Class.—Cleverley, George; Dowsett, Frank D.; Jessop, John A.; Parker, Arthur E.; Ramsden, James V.; Jones, Charles E.; Davis, Charles A.; Barnett, Hyman; Stout, Ambrose G.; Davis, Samuel R.; Mulinder, Thomas C.; Brooker, Robert W.; East, Clement A.; May, Thomas J.; Bright, Alfred; Rodger, John W.; Rice, Herbert W.; Gibson, Hamilton R.; Wells, Gilbert; Lowman, Frank H.; Reynolds, Richard; Fardell, Charles J.; Darling, Henry A.; Flower, William J.; Rawlings, Frederick; Day, William C. H.; Jeffries, Joshua G.; Smith, Frederick E.; Miller, Charles; Hayes, Alfred J.; Crighton, Andrew; Baxter, Charles W.; Harvey, Frank W.; Bramley, Charles P.; Heath, Henry W.; Pattison, Percy; Wright, Robert; Bonfield, Herbert; Bowler, John Thomas; Aldridge, Joseph; Bourne, Frederick W.; Relton, Thomas H.; Edwards, James G.; Green, George; Crane, John H.; Potter, Edwin J.; Baxter, Arthur; Nello, Vincent; Bray, Thomas E.; Hatley,

Stephen H.; Hepburn, Andrew; Taylor, Edwin S.; Merret Charles G.; Mason, George Leare; Harbott, William; Keable, Alfred H.

MACHINE CONSTRUCTION.

Honours, 2nd Class.—Draycott, George E.
Advanced, 1st Class.—Ansell, Charles S.; Davis, Samuel; Peachey, Harry; Howell, Thomas G.; Brinkman, William J.; Course, Arthur H.; Winfield, Joseph C.; Beirne, Sydney A.; Miller, William J.; Pratt, Fredk. W.; Lumsden, Alexr. J.; Drawmer, Arthur C.; Priestley, George W.; Beirne, Edgar H.; Page, Fredk. C. J.; Barnet, Hyman; Butler, Horace.
Advanced, 2nd Class.—Lucas, Arthur H.; Cheltnam, Charles H.; Bye, Thomas C.; Cox, George; Carnegie, William; Nash, William J.; Wilmott, Norman J.; Challis, Edward; Smail, Stephen G.; Warmington, Oliver H.; Howard, Herbert B.; Welch, Albert J.; Fletcher, Arthur; Rodger, John M.; Ford, Richard; Burnham, Frederick J.; Tanner, Andrew; Newson, Robert C.; Lloyd, Archibald H.; Courtney, Arthur; Hubert, Edward C.; Austin, Herbert; Boustead, Robert N.; Dodd, Frederick J.; Wells, Gilbert; Simmonds, Francis E.; Clark, Benjamin; Tourtel, Adolphus W.; Muckleston, William J.; Gravener, Fredk. W.; Alderton, Horace; Rosenberg, Barnet; Banks, John; Coram, William H.; Hones, Albert O.; Ganly, Walter; Wenn, Arthur J.; Carr, Henry G.; Clark, George T.; Amor, George W.; Clark, Sidney W.; Wild, Albert C.; Pringle, George; Beard, Horace W.; Edwards, James G.; Merritt, George L.; Bourne, Fredk. W.; Parrish, Robert C.; Worrow, Harry; McConnell, Walter; Jessop, John A.; Leleu, Francis H.
Elementary, 1st Class.—Worledge, Albert G.; Cleverley, George; Fryer, John E. G.; Bramley, Charles P.; Heath, Henry W.; Nello, Vincent; Everett, Walter; Weller, William S.; Dowsett, Frank D.; Harvey, David W.; Hardy, Ernest T.; Robinson, Arthur J.; Vincent, Wallace; Lyall, John W.; McCormick, Charles F.; White, Richard W.; Urry, William E.; Jones, Charles E.; Smith, Walter E.; Kilmaster, William; Woodgate, William J.; James, Samuel G. T.; Hardy, John H.; Owens, Edgar W.; Harbott, William; Young, Henry A.; Towndrow, Edwin J.; Jones, Frank V.; Cowell, Harry; Smith, William; Weeds, William; McEwen, William; Witney, Walter C.; Frindell, William C. D.; Hill, Sydney J.; Dunn, John H.; Lloyd, Thomas G.; Hine, Philip T.; Laken, William J.; Wood, James; Ford, George; Robinson, Horace D.; Salmon, Alfred J.; Fardell, Charles J.; Sayers, Walter; Halliday, William J.; Ainsworth, Thomas; Watson, Henry E.; Stewart, Bertram; Hepburn, Andrew; Bambridge, Claudius; Leys, John; Baker, Albert W. S.; Clark, Arthur; Bowler, John T.; Brooker, Robert W.; Saxby, William F.; Davis, Charles A.; Cox, Ernest T.; Rawlings, Herbert; Kinnipple, Archibald E.; Clarke, Reginald; Rawlings, Frederick; Gatrill, Arthur; Day, William C. H.; Belcher, Leon J.; King, Arthur W.; Walker, Percy J.; Smith, Frederick E.; Carr, Philip W.; Barralet, Edgar S.; East, Clement A.; Harvey, Frank W.; Head, Ernest F.; Hitchcock, Charles W.; Christian, James J.; Wheeler, William E.; Sawyer, William S. S.; Relton, Thomas H.; Menett, Charles G.; Bryan, Peter; Scott, Albert E.; Willson, Henry; Worrow, Isaac; Bohli, Percival W.; McMillan, Alfred E.; Rowland, Henry; Gibson, Hamilton R.; Gairns, John F.; Shearmur, Ernest R. D.; Parsons, Alfred; White, Arthur J.; Pyse, Thomas M.; Taylor, Edwin S.; Hatley, Stephen H.; Lewsey, Henry R.; Ilett, George C.; Pledge, John R. W.; Stable, Robert L.; Crighton, Andrew; Baxter, Charles W.
Elementary, 2nd Class.—Spotswood, Sidney R.; Coulton, Frank; Lane, Henry T.; Daff, Edwin W.; Cole, Ernest J.; Pratt, George R.; Stockley, John; Prosser, Edwin H.; Musto, Frank P.; Brown, Frederick L.; Bullwinkle, John L. M.; Nicolson, John; West, Edward G.; Carnegie, Francis; Girard, George E.; Holborrow, Francis H.; Honeybourne, William; Mepharm, Edgar; Birtles, Arthur; Jordan, James; Cann, George T.; Harborne, George; Duggins, William; Denehey, Joseph L.; Myers, Samuel F.; Hayes, Alfred J.; Reid, Lionel J.; Backhouse, Albert E.; Cunningham, Charles J.; Howlett, Albert J.; Smith, Charles; Russell, Arthur H.; Smith, Walter G.; McClellan, Robert H.; White, Arthur; White, John H.; Crane, John H.; Rice, Herbert W.; Wallis, George B.; Peachell, Alfred C.; Wenden, Walter H.; Blyth, Thomas R.; Pattison, Harold A.; Capel, Arthur O.; Richardson, William J.; Cairns, John S.; Bray, Thomas E.; Drake, Joseph W. D.; Ford, William E.; Abbott, John; Norris, Edward; Andrews, Henry A.; Stewart, John; Hallett, George; Keable, Alfred H.; Piper, George F.; Jeffries, Joseph G.; Reynolds, William A.; Potter, Edwin J.; Carter, James E.; Mitchell, William; Murray, Augustus H.; Moore, Thomas H.; De Ritter, Ernest E.; Anderson, William O. C.; Kitchen, James E.; Lamb, Samuel; Coggeshall, James B.; Worrow, Isaac J.; Davis, Frederick E.; McGowan, James; Mason, George L.; Clement, James E.; Sutherland, Benjamin T.; Bowen, Lewis M.; Flower, Farnham H.; Biggs, John; Wilmott, Arthur R.; Green, George; Wilmott, William H.; Biles, William H.; Catherall, Edward S.; Waters, Harry; Welch, John C.; Gurr, Albert; Boyd, Thomas A.; Dalton, Frederick J.; Dear, Bertie; Titterton, James; Norford, Robert; Griffiths, David; Summers, Joseph W.; Gotto, John B.; Young, Walter E.; Roach, William G.; Wootton, Henry W.; Travers, Thomas; Relf, John; Sawle, Alfred; Pansley, Robert W.; Jones, Sydney H.

MAGNETISM AND ELECTRICITY.

Advanced, 2nd Class.—Ely, Fanny; Ely, Emma; Palmer, Benedict J.; Sokolowski, Alice A.; Brittain, Joseph; Dent, Benjamin; Hipkins, Henry T.; Watson, John; Horton, Harry W.; Draycott, George E.
Elementary, 1st Class.—Bright, Alfred; German, Harry; Newling, James; Hoare, James W.; Lowman, Frank H.; Darling, Henry A.; Reynolds, Richard; Collingwood, James; Head, Ernest F.; White, Arthur J.; Gains, John F.; Hitchcock, Charles W.; Hatley, Stephen H.; Young, Walter E.; Bohli, Percival W.; Vincent, Wallace; Rawlings, Herbert; Piper, George F.; Abbott, John; McCormick, Charles F.; Robinson, Arthur J.; Owens, Edgar W.; James, Samuel T. G.; Hardy, Ernest T.; Harbott, William; Goldthorp, Henry R.; Dunn, John H.; Cooper, Edwin; Massey, William F.; Cleverley, George; Everett, Walter; Rodger, John M.; Weller, William S.; Krane, John H.; Clark, Arthur; Baker, Albert W. S.; Dowsett, Frank D.; Fryer, John E. G.; Capel, Arthur O.; Sayers, Walter; Stewart, Bertram; Bowler, John T.; Wenden, Walter H.; Atkins, Leon J.
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Alternate, 2nd Class.—Watson, Henry E.; Murray, Augustus H.
STEAM.
Elementary, 1st Class.—Appleyard, Walter H. S.; Amor, George W.; Austin, Herbert; Alderton, Horace; Bourne, Frederick W.; Beard, Horace W.; Banks, John; Barnett, Hyman; Beirne, Edgar H.; Butler, Horace; Beirne, Sidney A.; Carnegie, William; Coram, William H.; Courtney, Arthur; Clark, George T.; Carr, Henry G.; Clark, Sidney W.; Drawmer, Arthur C.; Durrant, Ernest W.; Edwards, James G.; Ganly, Walter; Hitchcock, Richard J.; Howell, Thomas S.; Hones, Albert O.; Jack, Joseph L.; Jessop, John A.; Lumsden, Alexander J.; Leleu, Francis H.; Merritt, George L.; Miller, William J.; McConnell, Walter; Nash, William J.; Newman, Charles E.; Nutter, Arthur E.; Parker, George F.; Page, Frederick C. J.; Pringle, George; Priestley, George W.; Pratt, Frederick W.; Parrish, Robert E.; Paskell, Albert E.; Rosenberg, Barnet; Skinner, Edward W.; Simmonds, Francis E.; Tourtel, Adolphus W.; Wilmott, Norman J.; Winfield, Joseph C.; Wild, Alfred C.
Elementary, 2nd Class.—Bersey, Walter C.; Catmur, Thomas; Ford, Frederick G.; Powell, James P.
THEORETICAL MECHANICS.
Advanced, 2nd Class.—Brittain, Joseph; Draycott, George E.
Elementary, 1st Class.—Henderson, John J.; Leach, John C.; Willmer, Edward.
PRACTICAL ORGANIC CHEMISTRY.
Advanced, 2nd.—Russell, Edward J.; Chapman, Ernest A.
Elementary, 1st.—Phillips, William H.; Rule, John.
ORGANIC CHEMISTRY.
Advanced, 1st.—Russell, Edward J.
Advanced, 2nd.—Sarfas, Frederick.
Elementary, 2nd.—Kyle, John.

SHORTHAND EXAMINATION.

The examination, which took place on the last evening of the Classes, has resulted as follows:—

ELEMENTARY.			
Symon Kempoor	1st.		
H. J. Tull	2nd.		
Sol Barnett	3rd.		
ADVANCED.			
A. M. Lester	1st.		
Walter H. Bone	2nd.		
E. C. Lawrie	3rd.		
REPORTING.			
F. Dean	1st.		
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Mr. Steward	1st Class Certificate.		
Miss Goodwin	2nd		
Miss Wayland	2nd		
RECITING.			
Miss Rosegarde	Prize.		
Mr. Heward	1st Class Certificate.		
Mr. Leeding	1st		
Mr. Steward	2nd		

THE Results in Geometry are to hand this morning, and will appear in next Wednesday's Journal. I find we take 86 E 1st; 91 E 2nd; 7 A 1st; 42 A 2nd; 1 H 2nd.

Society and Club Notes.

NOTICE TO SECRETARIES.—Club announcements should be addressed to the EDITOR, and not to any person by name. It should be remembered that the earlier these reach us, the greater likelihood they have of being inserted entire, and every endeavour should be made to ensure their delivery at the Palace by MONDAY MORNING.

PEOPLE'S PALACE CYCLING CLUB NOTES.

Photos of Club are now ready. The East-End News of the 25th inst. contained the racing career of M. Moyle. A member of a Club down east boasted that they have plenty of members in their Club who could beat the Essex champion. The East-End News, in commenting on this, says, "It is a pity that the same Club last year were obliged to fall out of the procession of the Woodford Meet because they could not get up the 'pimple' by the Rising Sun."

At the last evening meeting of the Millwall Athletic Club our Members were well to the fore. In the five mile scratch race they finished one, two, and three; and the mile novice race also fell to one of our Members.

We hear that a member of the cycling division of the Millwall Athletic Club is willing to ride a five mile race with the Essex champion at the Leyton Cricket Ground. As all the best men of that Club were competing at their last meeting and were unable to hold their own with Howard, I should advise J. H. to take no notice of this boast. There are some men that can never take a licking. On Friday last two Members had a run to Downe. As the said Downe is situated nearly 400 feet above the Thames, they considered it was very much up. Downe is the country seat of the new Chairman of the London County Council.

The tickets for the Ladies' Day are now ready, and can be obtained of the different officers of the Club.

The road skim on Saturday last was very successful, and the handicapper must be congratulated on the fine finish. The course was a very trying one, the last three miles being up hill. The following is the result with the time at half-distance and finish:—

Name.	Start mins. secs.	Time for half distance mins. secs.	Time taken for journey mins. secs.
1. J. Green	7 40	26 20	58 20
2. J. Howard	scratch	24 0	51 30
3. A. Giles	20 0	33 0	72 0
4. W. Burley	12 30	29 30	66 30
5. T. Dobbin	7 10	28 40	62 10
6. W. Andrews	7 20	28 20	64 20
7. W. Flanders	7 10	30 10	67 10
8. H. Kett	7 50	30 30	74 0

Also started.—E. Wells, O. Stevens, F. Hobson, J. Daltry, H. Slater, E. Toole, H. Raggett. The run next Thursday will be to Tottenham, and next Saturday to Portsmouth and Isle of Wight.

AJAX.

PEOPLE'S PALACE CHORAL SOCIETY.

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The next practice will be held on Tuesday, the 12th August, at 8 o'clock, when the results of the Singing Competition will be announced.

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PEOPLE'S PALACE RAMBLING CLUB.

On Saturday last the Ramblers joined a garden party connected with the Popular Musical Union. Arriving at Bockhurst Hill early, the majority of the party went for a drive by Chingford, Connaught Waters, and Loughton, returning to the "Roebuck" in time for a light tea. To remind us we were still near London, it rained, causing, as the sun set between the hills, an extraordinary magnificent rainbow. Just past seven the bell summoned the party to the ball-room, where upon its beautifully polished floor, dancing, interspersed with songs, was kept up till half-past ten. Seldom is a party managed with greater success; want of ventilation and excess of dancers, the two characteristics of nearly every dance, carefully prevented by the foresight of our friend, Mr. MacDonald, the "M.C." of the day. An interval between each dance allowed partners to stroll through the gardens. We enjoyed this social merry meeting heartily, and trust it will not be the last time, even this season, the Ramblers will have an opportunity of meeting the members of the Popular Musical Union. Committee Meeting, Friday, August 1st, at eight o'clock p.m. This will be the last night for receiving the names of those who intend taking part in the all-day ramble to Cambridge. Mr. A. P. Burlett has kindly promised to entertain our party, and it is hoped that the Members will avail themselves of his hospitality. The railway fare will be 5s. 9d. The train leaves Liverpool Street Station at 9.10 a.m.

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People's Palace Junior Section.

PEOPLE'S PALACE JUNIOR RAMBLING CLUB.

On Saturday last, through the kindness of Sir John Lenard, Bart., we visited Wickham Court, Beckenham, leaving Cannon Street Station by the 3.17 train for Elmers End, where we arrived at four o'clock. The Court is about five miles from the station, and is a very pleasant walk through the shady lanes of Kent. Arriving at the Court at 5.30, we were kindly received by Sir John's daughters, who, after tea, to which we did good justice after our walk, kindly conducted us over the Court, which is a very fine old building. It was built in 1460 in the reign of Edward VI. It is built with the old-fashioned red bricks, with a tower at each corner, which are covered with ivy, and stand on the top of the hill, from where you can get a good view of the Crystal Palace and the surrounding country. We were next shown the garden, which contains some very pretty flowers, also the yew hedges, which are twelve feet wide and over 400 years old. It was between these hedges that Queen Anne was allowed to walk when imprisoned here, so that she could not see or speak to any one. We were then shown the conservatories, which looked very pretty. We next visited the church, which is over 400 years old; after listening to the organ, which was kindly played by our guides, we returned to the Court, where we were all presented with a button hole. We then took leave of our kind guides, who had so kindly devoted the afternoon to us, and under whose care we spent so pleasant an afternoon. After a quiet stroll round the country, we walked to Beckenham Junction, where we took the train for London Bridge, where we arrived at 9.30, after a most enjoyable ramble.

J. S. BURCHILL, Hon. Sec.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE.

THERE are two very ancient rhymes concerning feminine whistlers, and as they express diametrically opposite opinions, everybody can be satisfied with the one or the other.

- The first runs—
"Whistling girls and crowing hens
Always come to some bad ends."
The other is more charitable—
"Whistling girls and bleating sheep
Are the best property a man can keep."

WISE FATHER (to married son): "You are living very nicely, I see; but are you saving any money?"
WISE SON (whispering): "Yes, but don't tell my wife."

ONE cannot believe all he hears. Many sounds uttered in the name of music are nothing but disagreeable noises.

People's Palace Technical Day School.

DUMPTON GAP CAMP.

LAST week I sent you an account of our life in camp up to Monday the 21st inst. Continuing from that date I have to record that on Tuesday we adhered closely to our programme, and the day's pleasure comprised yachting, bathing, cricket, paper-chase, quoits, rounders, sketching, and a trip to Canterbury; those joining in the last named bringing back a most glowing account of the delights of their waggonee journey. In the evening we had a very enjoyable concert, conducted by Mr. Bremner. In the Daily News of to-day appears a long article descriptive of our camp and the camp life. Wednesday morning saw us up early, the stirring notes of the bugle rousing us from a dreamless slumber on a not too downy couch. By the way, talking about our couches, how many of us could have previously realised what delicious rest can be obtained on a bed of straw laid on the ground, when the night follows a day of pure, healthful exercise in the open air in such delightful weather and under such pleasant conditions as it has been our good fortune to enjoy during this holiday.

The programme for Wednesday was very similar to that for Tuesday. Thus everyone had an opportunity of varying his amusements from day to day. In the evening we again had a concert.

We have been especially favoured this week with the sight of sunsets of a most gorgeous character.

The sunset of each evening has had its own especial beauty, one evening the prevailing hues being red, another evening shades of orange and yellow, until at last the artistic inhabitants of our camp have been beside themselves with ecstasy and almost, in one case, verged into poetry.

In response to a request from the Editor of the Daily Graphic, Mr. Bateman, our Assistant Art Master, prepared a series of sketches of the camp, and it is very probable that before this account is in print the sketches will have been published.

On Thursday morning we rose in good time, and, arrangements having been made with a Ramsgate photographer, four views of the camp were taken. One view comprised the whole camp; the second, the President's marquee; the third, a group of the Superintendents; and the fourth, the Superintendents and boys. These photos will be on sale, and copies may be seen at the Palace in the course of a few days. The charge will be about 1s. 6d. each, and the reputation of the photographer causes us to anticipate very good views. The camp is so delightfully situated in a valley opening towards the sea that it is bound to make a pretty picture. Sitting in the large marquee at meals, we were able to look out upon the sea and watch the craft of all descriptions, from the tiny yacht to the huge troopship or man-of-war, passing before us. Only 300 or 400 yards' walk is necessary to reach the beach and indulge in bathing; and all around the camp is so sheltered that a visitor could be within a couple of stones' throw, and yet not see the tents.

After dinner we began to prepare for the sports, and soon all was in order.

The Master of the Drapers' Company and Mrs. Heywood had arranged to visit us this afternoon, and accompanied by Mr. Sawyer, they arrived on the ground about two o'clock. We were also favoured with the presence of Lady Rose Wiegall and friends. After our visitors had inspected the camp the sports began, and were carried out with great success under the able management and superintendence of Messrs. Grenville and Bremner. The sports comprised in all about ten events, viz., 120 Yards Flat Race, Three-legged Race, Long Jump, Half-Mile Race, Egg and Spoon Race, etc.

A number of prizes had been subscribed for by Lady Rose Wiegall, the Rev. Harry Bartram, Mr. Bevis and other friends, and these were at the conclusion of the sports distributed by Mrs. Heywood. A vote of thanks was then passed to Mrs. Heywood on the motion of Mr. Sawyer, and the boys gave three hearty cheers, and three cheers more. Mrs. Heywood acknowledged the vote in a few kindly words.

The Master and Mrs. Heywood afterwards drove off the field, followed by the ringing cheers of the boys. In the evening a concert was held, at which we were favoured with the services of Mr. Ralph Stewart, an elocutionist, and Mr. Low, Mr. Hogbin, Mr. Pointin, and Master Ames, as vocalists.

Friday morning saw us up at five a.m., and before seven o'clock the bell-tents were struck, packed in the valises, and loaded on the waggon waiting to take them to the boat. Breakfast over, the work of demolition proceeded rapidly, and soon the large and small marquees were down and packed, kitchen pulled down, trenches filled in, beds emptied, and the multitudes of other duties connected with the removal of the camp pushed on. By ten o'clock all work was done, and it only remained for the fatigue party to clear the ground after the departure of the boys. The bugle then sounded the fall-in, and this order was speedily obeyed. Mr. Low addressed a few remarks to the boys, and the order was then given to march. The pier was reached about 10.40, and the boys rapidly embarked en route to Blackwall and London Bridge.

In concluding this notice, I cannot refrain from alluding to the excellent conduct of the boys during their stay in camp. Golden opinions have been expressed on all sides concerning them, and there can be no doubt that should we at any future time visit Ramsgate we shall be heartily welcomed. We are greatly indebted to the London and local press for the kindly articles upon our camp, to the Reverend Harry Bartram for accommodation provided for us at St. George's Church, to Dr. Stryan, Medical Officer of Health for Ramsgate, for his professional services, and to the General Steam Navigation Company, for the assistance rendered in embarking and disembarking passengers and baggage.

The thanks of the Executive are especially due to the Superintendents and Section Leaders for the assistance at all times heartily and ungrudgingly rendered. It is hoped that the Section Leaders may be benefitted by the responsibility thrown upon them during our camp experience, and that they may show in their school life during the coming year—by continuing to set an example of upright and manly conduct to their comrades—how well they merited the confidence placed in them during our Third Annual Excursion.

To Mrs. Heywood the thanks of all are due for her generosity in collecting the funds which rendered the camp a possibility, and for the interest she has throughout taken in the week's holiday.

By this excursion our boys have had their frames re-invigorated, their hearts lightened, and their young spirits quickened, and we think that this knowledge may be pleasing to the lady who has so kindly exerted herself in our behalf.

F. C. F.

RURAL THRIFT.

LITTLE GIRL: "Mrs. Brown, ma wants to know if she could borrow a dozen eggs. She wants to put them under a hen."

Neighbour: "So you've got a hen sitting, have you? I didn't know you kept hens."

Little Girl: "No'm, we don't; but Mrs. Smith's goin' ter lend us a hen that wants ter set, an' ma thought if you'd lend us some eggs we'd have got the nest ourselves."

TWO WAYS OF FINDING OUT.

PATRONISING OLD GENTLEMAN: "I wonder whose little boy this is?"

Small Boy: "There's two ways you could find out."

Old Gentleman: "How so, my lad?"

Small Boy: "You might guess or you might enquire."

A FRENCHMAN is about to be beheaded. Under the guillotine a priest approaches him and says—

"My friend, have you any last request to make? The wish of a dying man is sacred."

"Yes," replied the doomed man. "I want to learn English."

"MEDICAL science has made such progress," said the doctor, when speaking of his profession, "that it is almost impossible for anybody to be buried alive now." Then he wondered why everybody laughed.

THE "beauty sleep" may be that which is taken two hours before mid-night, but the overwhelming testimony of experts is that the "luxury sleep" is that which is indulged in for two hours after being called in the morning.

ITALIAN ANTIPATHY TO BLOWS.—In Italy no game of violence is ever practised; the Italian regards a blow, even in play, as rough and brutal, and, moreover, unwise, seeing that it inspires ill-will and revenge. Children in Italy are, and always have been, educated without blows; the rod is not there an instrument of instruction; they are, on the contrary, early taught to regard blows as unworthy of Christians.

"MISTER, I say, I don't suppose you don't know of nobody what don't want to hire nobody to do nothing, don't you?" The answer was, "Yes, I don't."

SPEECH is silvery, silence is golden, giggling is brazen, and laughter is often ironical.

CONTENTMENT is a good thing until it reaches the point where it sits in the shade and lets the weeds grow.

ONE of the best rules in conversation is, never to say a thing which any of the company can reasonably wish we had rather left unsaid.

SOME of the best things in the world are never said.

Isle of Wight Trips.

A WEEK is not a very long time, but the first party who started to the island on Saturday, July 12th, managed to see [and do about as much as was possible, and to enjoy themselves most thoroughly. No one need be afraid of the crossing, as it only takes at most, twenty-five minutes in a very steady comfortable paddle boat; land in sight all the time. "This for the comfort of possible bad sailors."

Brading was reached after landing about 7.45, and after inspection of our quarters, and necessary refreshment, the village was explored by some, and others started off to Sandown for a sight of the sea.

In the village, which is a most picturesque place, the chief objects to be seen are the church (which, I believe, boasts of being the oldest in the island) and the chapel of the Oglander family, containing some curious and interesting monuments. In the churchyard repose the remains of Little Jane, The Cottager, whose tombstone is visited by many, and who owes her fame to Legh Richmond, author of the "Annals of the Poor"; there is nothing particular about this tombstone excepting the verses. In the village may be seen the cottage where Little Jane lived; beyond being picturesque there is little more to say of it. Close to the church, from which a lovely view may be had, stands the old town hall, with the stocks and whipping post underneath, this has been lately restored, and the village magnates still sit in conclave on the affairs of Brading, which, alas, has fallen from its greatness, and forgotten the time when it was a king's town, and a borough sending its members to Parliament. By the turning to the station is the old bull ring, which might be passed over by the uninitiated, but which has had its share in the annals of Brading. A climb up to the beautiful downs will well reward anyone who cares for good all round scenery. As to walks there are any amount, and nearly all of them are pretty, and within easy walking distance; although I would not recommend the road to cyclists who treasure their machines.

There are plenty of coach drives, and all are very reasonable, 5s. for a drive of thirty-five miles through the most delicious scenery on a four-horse coach cannot be termed dear, I think; and then there are boats to be had at a fair charge, and trips innumerable by sea to Southampton, Southsea, Portsmouth, Alum and Totland Bays, and all round the island, which last should not be missed, as it gives the best idea of its shape, size, and position, and does not take more than four-and-a-half hours, starting from Ryde and returning there; not long enough to do more than give a qualm to the worst sailor, so I am told, although just by the Needles it is a bit rough.

The best walks are, I think, to Sandown by the cliffs, then down on the shore to Shanklin all along the sand, and up the lovely Chine (admission to which is 3d.) out into the pretty road above, through the old village and home, and if not on to Ventnor, the cliffs, passing through Luccombe Chine to the Landslip, which last is the most perfect upheaval Nature could have planned, and a real treat to anyone caring for sea and country scenery combined. And here let me recommend all visitors to Shanklin Chine to begin at the bottom and work up; it is a mistake to go through the Chine from the top, unless one goes down by the road which leads on to the shore.

Mr. Osborn has a guide and time table with views of the best places in the island, which may be seen in the office, and will give a better idea of what the island is like than any amount of description. Another walk, which is very pleasant, is from Brading to St. Helens and Bembridge and along the downs, past the Earl of Yarborough's monument, which is one of the points of the island, and stands out well.

Yet another walk is from Ventnor to Bonchurch, returning by the Landslip again, and a pleasant trip to Freshwater by one of the funny little toy trains, and thence on foot to Alum Bay, should not be missed.

The coloured shells in Alum Bay are past description; let me advise all trippers to go and see for themselves, and not to omit the climb on to the downs, from whence may be seen the vessels plying into and out of the Solent, past Hurst Castle and Totland Bay and close to the Needles, on which one looks down from the fort above. They are very white, sharp, and cruel-looking, and on one side may be seen the wreck of the "Irex," which, of all wrecks I have ever seen, is the most jaunty. There are rumours of a mutiny and being run on the rocks by the crew, but no one knows for certain, as the captain and seven others were drowned.

Bournemouth can be plainly seen from the top of these downs, and Freshwater Bay is within easy reach. The Poet Laureate lives in Freshwater, and photos of his house are sold in the island, but no visitors are allowed to see it.

Although the weather was not over-fine, it did not interfere with the general enjoyment; of course, we came in for the Thursday thunderstorm, but after such a lovely day as Wednesday we felt it might be passed over with mild remarks.

Starting early on Wednesday, after a brisk walk to Sandown we took our seats on the coach, which we had taken the precaution to procure in advance, and started off a merry party, stopping on the way to have a photo taken, which was finished [and sold to us later on in the day.

From Sandown we drove through the most delicious scenery in glorious sunshine, passing Shanklin, Luccombe, the Landslip and Bonchurch, where, by the bye, is a very quaint and tiny church, unused now, but of interest owing to the churchyard containing the graves of John Stirling, Carlyle's friend, and Rev. William Adams, author of "The Shadow of the Cross"; on this grave rests a cross slightly raised, so that the light falling on it creates a shadow.

Leaving Bonchurch we drove through Ventnor, passing the Consumption Hospital, built in detached blocks and standing in one of the most sheltered spots in the island, large downs rising behind; by Steephill, and on by St. Laurence and the Undercliff (a beautiful and picturesque spot), Niton and Sandrock, passing the St. Catherine's Light and the Alexandra Monument, and another almost hidden in foliage by the side of the road, erected to Shakespeare's memory, seeing also from one place the extreme points of the Island Culver and the Needles.

At Blackgang we alighted, and explored the Chine, which is a little bit disappointing after Shanklin and Luccombe, but requires to be seen in a storm or after rain to get a full idea of its rugged boldness.

One of the chief charms of the island, is that trees, flowers, and grass grow down almost to the edge of the sea, so that besides the ozone of the breezes one gets the sweet scent of flowers and grass combined, which is most delightful.

Starting from Blackgang after a halt of an hour and a half, we drove through Chale, Chillerton, Gatcombe, and other places, marvelling at the number of churches and chapels by the way, to Carisbrooke, a quaint village, where we got out and walked up to the old castle, and explored all over it, seeing King Charles the First's bowling green and the window, with the bar still broken out, whence he tried to escape; and going on, to the grand staircase, and the room where poor little Princess Elizabeth died; and up from there to the ramparts and the old well house, which is a great feature at Carisbrooke. The large wheel, worked by a donkey, is 300 years old, and the depth of the well is 150 feet, with 20 feet of water, which is most deliciously cool and clear. An attendant lets down a lamp to show the immense depth of the well, which is 700 years old. The keep should not be missed, and it is well to get as much time to explore as possible.

From Carisbrooke back to Sandown we passed the village of Arreton, noted for the residence and tombstone of Elizabeth, the "Dairyman's Daughter." No one felt much inclined to get off the coach here until the mystic words, "Dairyman's daughter's grave," brought down most of the passengers, who flocked round the second grave made famous for ever by Legh Richmond. I would not advise anyone to miss this coach drive—it is most delightful.

Newport should not be passed over, and in the church—since monuments and tombstones appear to be attractive in the island—may be seen the memorial to Princess Elizabeth erected by Queen Victoria.

There is a Roman villa near Carisbrooke, and the old church is worth inspection, but the Roman villa discovered in Brading in 1880 is better worth a visit, and everyone should go and see this on a Monday.

There is much more to describe, but it would take too long, so I will only say to all intending trippers that, if they do half as well as the first party, which consisted of two ladies and four gentlemen, they will have a very pleasant reminiscence of the Isle of Wight.

M. S. R. J.

A FINANCIER.

"You wish to marry one of my daughters. The youngest will get £1,000, the second £2,000, and the third £3,000."
"You don't happen to have one still older?"

PROVED IT.

FIRST COMMERCIAL TRAVELLER: "Last week I took the biggest order of the season."
Second C. T.: "I don't believe a word of it."
First C. T.: "You don't, eh? Well, perhaps you'll believe this." (Triumphantly producing a paper.) "Here's a letter I just got cancelling it."

REALISING ITS IMPORTANCE.

"Do you realise, darling, the importance of the step you are about to take?" inquired her mamma of a girl who was soon to be married.
"I should say I did," was the answer; "am I not going to wear a dress from Paris?"

THE TRUTHFUL GROCER.

GROCER (to assistant): "What are you doing, James?"
James: "Putting sand in the sugar."
Grocer: "Well, that won't do. You must put the sugar in the sand, and then if a customer asks if we put sand in our sugar you can truthfully say no. You will find, James, as you acquire more business experience, that in the long run truth always pays."

PROGRAMME

OF

SATURDAY POPULAR CONCERT

TO BE GIVEN BY THE

People's Palace Military Band,

Conductor - - - Mr. A. ROBINSON

(Late Bandmaster 3rd Prince of Wales' Dragoon Guards),

ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND, 1890,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

Banjo, MR. JAMES DUNN.

- 1. MARCH "Romaine" Gounod.
- 2. OVERTURE "Poet and Peasant" Suppe.
- 3. VALSE "Gondoliers" Sir A. Sullivan.
- 4. BANJO SELECTION—MR. JAMES DUNN.
- 5. SELECTION "Martha" Flotow.
- 6. CORO DI ZINGARI "Il Trovatore" (Anvil Chorus).... Verdi.
- 7. BANJO SELECTION—MR. JAMES DUNN.
- 8. OVERTURE "Sybil" Bleger.
- 9. SELECTION "Faust" Gounod.
- 10. BANJO SELECTION—MR. JAMES DUNN.
- 11. FANTASIA "England" Godfrey.
- 12. MARCH "Ingomar" Devery.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Special Arrangements for Bank Holiday, see Bills.

The Shah of Persia as an Author.

THE only literary work of the Shah that is at all well known in this country is the third volume of his Majesty's Diary. A translation of this, by Mr. J. W. Redhouse, was published in London in 1874 by John Murray, under the title, "The Diary of H.M. the Shah of Persia during his Tour through Europe." Four other volumes of the series have appeared in Persia, India, and Turkey, but these have not yet been translated into English. The first deals with "A Journey through the Province of Gylan"; the second, with "A Journey to Kerbela and Nedjef"; the third, with the Shah's first travels in Europe in 1873; the fourth, with "A Journey to the Province of Mazanderan in 1875"; and the fifth, with the Shah's second visit to Europe in 1878. The fourth volume was translated into Russian by Koriander, and published at St. Petersburg in 1887; and it was this work which obtained for the Shah his recent election as an honorary member of the Russian Geographical Society. A sixth volume will describe the present tour, and will complete the series.

The first, second, and fourth volumes are the most valuable of the set, for, in writing of the affairs and manners of his own dominions, the Shah writes with a knowledge which it can scarcely be said that he displays when he ventures to treat of the customs of the West. The records of his Persian tours should, indeed, be exceedingly serviceable to future historians, antiquarians, and ethnographers. Nor are these the whole of the Shah's literary performances. He has dictated to one of his secretaries, Chockim-el-Mechalik, an account of a journey through the Province of Khorassan; and he has written two geographical papers on the subject of a lake which has in recent years appeared between Teheran and Kom. Translations of both of these have been made for the proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society by General Hontum Schindler.

Nasr-ed-deen Shah has also appeared as a poet, but Persian critics do not as a body agree that his Majesty's style is quite equal to that of Sadi, Hafiz, or Djami. The Shah's ancestors, for several generations, have betrayed, like most educated Persians, an ambition to shine as writers of verse; and it is recorded of his grandfather, Fattah Ali Shah, who was a most persistent, but unsuccessful, wooer of the Muse, that, having asked the opinion of the Court poets about his screeds, and having obtained a very unfavourable verdict, he was so angry that he condemned the honest critics to live in his stable and eat hay until they should be of another mind. Nasr-ed-deen is not thus intolerant; yet his poems are with him a tender point. There is no surer way to his esteem than to praise them; although, since he is himself a good literary critic, he is, no doubt, well aware that he is not quite the peer of Omar Khayyam.

Finally, the Shah may be ranked as a journalist. He has, on more than one occasion, contributed to the Persian newspaper *Iran*; but even there he has not, alas! attained the object of his most fervent aspiration—a niche in the poets' corner; and he is far too sensible a monarch to condemn the editor to eat hay for not admitting him to the sanctuary.

NO GROUNDS FOR FEAR.

"Young man," said the solemn-faced gentleman to the urchin who was puffing with all his might at a cigar, "let me warn you in time that that is a frightful vice you are cultivating."

"I ain't afraid of it."

"But are you not afraid of bringing your poor father's hairs in sorrow to the grave?"

"No, I ain't."

"Why not?"

"Because papa's bald headed."

THE RIGHT OF PRECEDENCE.

A DISPUTE once arose between the doctors of law and the doctors of medicine at Cambridge as to which had the right of precedence.

"Does the thief or the hangman take precedence at executions?" asked the Chancellor of the University, to whom the matter was referred.

"The former," replied a wag.

"Then let the doctors of law have precedence," decided the Chancellor.

The Air we Breathe.

IN common life, at the easy average of eighteen to twenty inspirations a minute, an ordinary man will inhale and exhale a bulk of air amounting to about 4,000 gallons a day, and while undergoing violent exertion will use up much more than this. The air, when breathed, is not consumed in the sense of being utterly destroyed, but it is changed. In passing through the lungs, it leaves about one-fifth of its oxygen, and combines nearly two-fifths more with the carbon or waste material of the body in the lungs, and exhales it as carbonic acid. Now, carbonic acid is poison to the lungs. So that air, after having been breathed two or three times, becomes deadly unless purified by the combination with it of more oxygen. For the necessary supply of this life-sustaining element we are dependent, in the city as well as the country, on Nature's laboratory. Here, by the action of forces that are never at rest, by the law of gaseous diffusion—which causes gases of different densities to intermix upon contact, thus diluting the most noxious to a degree of absolute harmlessness in a very short space of time—by the constant movement of wind currents: by means of rain, which washes down atmospheric impurities, and causes them to be absorbed into the earth; by the generation of ozone in the air through the agency of electric currents—by these and other means the life-giving elements of the air are constantly renewed. Though one of the most important agencies of atmospheric purification, that of trees and vegetation, is, as a rule, wholly wanting in a closely built city, the other means used by Nature are so far effective as to greatly counteract the evils resulting from its crowded population. We say nothing of ill-ventilated houses or filthy streets, since these are, of course, the most potent means by which the health-giving air is rendered an agent of disease and death. They are in no sense inevitable, even in the most densely peopled city.

A USEFUL TREE.

THERE is no tree that is so sure to grow without any care as the willow. A twig from a branch of the tree stuck into the moist earth, and the labour is completed. An article in a German contemporary recommends the cultivation of willow trees, not only from an economical and industrial point of view, but also for hygienic purposes. They are especially useful where the drinking water is taken from fountains or natural wells, and still more where there are morasses and meadows; for in the vicinity of willow trees water is always clear and pure. Let those who doubt this fact place a piece of willow which has not yet begun to strike into a bottle of water, and place this within another bottle containing water only, in a warm room for eight days; in the first bottle will be found shoots and rootlets in clear water, while the other bottle will contain putrefying water. Holland is covered with willows, and the dam works are made stronger by the network formed by the roots.

RUBENS' MASTERPIECE.

THE other day in Antwerp were two visitors—man and wife—from New York. They had apparently just landed, as Antwerp is quite a place for Continental landers, and they were in the cathedral seeing what was to be seen for the mark they had paid at the door.

"My! my!" said she, stopping before Rubens' masterpiece, 'The Descent from the Cross'—"this must be a fine one; it's so awful big."

"Yes, I guess it is," replied the husband, picking his way through a new guide-book.

"Whose is it?" said she.

"The book says it's Ruben's, but I don't see a name on the picture," he said, with some uncertainty.

"Did you say it was Ruben's?" she asked, after a moment's further investigation.

"That's what the book says," said he.

"It's rather indefinite," said she. "Ruben who? What's his last name?"

"Give it up," said the man. "All the book says is that it is Ruben's, and I suppose that's all the name he had, like Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, and a lot more of those old ancients"; and then they went on around the cathedral, comprehending what they could, and guessing at the rest.

HIS CANDID FRIEND.

MRS. KASS: "You seem greatly changed and improved since your return from Europe, Mr. Thompson."

Mr. Thompson: "Oh, vastly, I assure you. Why, I'm a different man altogether."

Mrs. Kass: "Indeed! How pleasant that must be for Mrs. Thompson."

A Tribunal of Fools.

THE little town of Stockach, in Baden, which has barely two thousand inhabitants, enjoys the peculiar title of "Deutschland's Narren Residenz," that is, the German court (or capital) of fools. The name originated in the privilege accorded to the town by letters patent, and exercised for centuries, of holding annually at carnival time a public fools' assize, at which all the follies committed by the people of the town and vicinity were made known, and held up to public ridicule.

According to local tradition, Stockach was the birthplace of Hans Kuoni, jester to Leopold, the brother of Albert the Wise, Archduke of Austria. Just before the Battle of Morgarten, in 1315, the man in motley was asked to express his opinion of the plans of the campaign which had been adopted in his presence. Hans shook his cap and bells and answered—

"Your speeches please me little, my masters, for you only think and debate how you shall enter the enemy's territory, but take no thought how you shall leave it."

The battle took place. Leopold's forces were defeated, and escaped death almost by a miracle. Then the Archduke Albert, "because the fool had been wiser than all his brother councillors," gave him the right "to sit in judgment upon the wise" annually, in his native town, and granted many privileges and immunities to this 'fool's court.'

This peculiar tribunal, which met even in the present century, was composed of the "Father of Fools" as president, and an unlimited number of "fool councillors" as associates.

The members of the court met in January to select the cases to be presented to the court, and to arrange the programme for the subsequent festival of fools. These preliminary meetings took place in a tavern called the Fools' Inn, and distinguished by a special shield or tablet on the outer wall. On the Sunday before Shrove Sunday, the fools' clerks, in fantastic garb, drove through the town in a carriage drawn by four horses, attended by negro footmen and outriders, and loudly notified the attentive, and in many cases anxious, inhabitants that such and such cases would be presented to the court to be held on the approaching Shrove Tuesday.

On the succeeding Thursday, a stout pole was solemnly erected near the fools' fountain in the middle of the town. This fountain, under which the original documents relating to the establishment of the fools' court were buried, stood in the middle of the street until 1858, when it was moved to another position. When the documents were exhumed they were found to be almost illegible. The fools' court being hastily convened resolved to bury the defaced manuscripts again under the new foundation of the fountain. This was done with appropriate ceremonies, and the old documents, to which was added a statement of the circumstances of their discovery, signed by all the members of the court, remain buried under the fountain to this day. The pole erected by the fountain bore a board inscribed, "The Fools' Genealogical Tree."

Shrove Sunday and Monday were given over to the "young fools," or the children, who marched through the streets in fantastic dress as they did, and still do, in many other places. Meanwhile a number of the boys maintained a sort of watch at the fools' tree, and with ear-splitting noises and blows of whips drove away all comers who were not fantastically attired. In reward for this service each urchin received an immense fool's cake.

On the eagerly-awaited Shrove Tuesday, at ten o'clock in the morning, the members of the court assembled on a great platform in the open air, and the judicial proceedings were begun. The fools' prosecutors made their satirical accusations, and the persons convicted of folly, when their crimes had been described, were punished by having their names entered in the book of fools.

No one was spared; the guilty ones, without distinction of person, were publicly ridiculed and enrolled among the fools. Protestations were of no avail, and whoever ventured to criticise the sentence of the court, or to speak in favour of the convicted fools, was declared to be a fool himself, and his name was put on the roll.

When all the cases had been disposed of, a procession, headed by the council of fools, marched through the streets, pausing frequently, especially before the houses of the convicted persons, to read aloud the sentence of the court, to the great delight of the populace. The sentence was also affixed to the doors of the criminals' houses.

Then began the Festival of Fools, the programme of which included a lively theatrical representation for the populace, a banquet at the Fools' Inn, and another banquet and dance in the evening.

On the next day, Ash Wednesday, at four o'clock in the afternoon, the council again assembled before the Fool's Inn to bury their folly. At the head of the procession came two young folk bearing immense keys—the keys of the realm of folly. Next came the fool's guard, carrying a parti-coloured and decorated staff, on the top of which was the bust of Hans Kuoni. He was followed by two fools' treasurers, who bore an ancient carved chest containing the book of fools and the records of the court. Then came the father of fools, usually the oldest male inhabitant of the town. The rest of the fools followed, walking two and two, with bowed heads and in silence, like attendants at a funeral.

When the procession had reached the fools' tree, it marched around it three times and then dispersed, and the reign of folly was over for that year.

The usages and formalities which have been briefly described were in vogue in Stockach for more than five centuries. At first this peculiar punishment of human folly and weakness was almost always of a jocular nature, but in later years it too frequently lost its original innocence, and assumed more and more the character of a malicious attack upon private persons and unpopular laws and magistrates. In course of time, therefore, the comical, but generally rather coarse, method in which the successors of Hans Kuoni "sat in judgment over the wise" gave place to a harmless masquerade or mummery, which had no reference to any particular persons. The progress of civilisation and the gradual refinement of manners seem to have effected even the fools. All that now remains of the old Stockach customs is the burial on Ash Wednesday. This differs little from the masquerades common in other cities at that time, but it always attracts a great crowd of strangers to Stockach, and is of interest as the sole remnant of one of the most curious of old German customs.

THE BISHOP'S "BOGUS" SOVEREIGN.

DR. BILLING, Bishop of Bedford, tells an amusing story about an East-end church collection. He had been preaching to a poor congregation, and when the plate was handed round, moved with compassion, he contributed a sovereign to it. While disrobing in the vestry, he inquired of one of the churchwardens what sort of collection there had been.

"Better than usual, thanks to your Lordship," was the reply; "we have got several silver coins and a quantity of copper. There is a sovereign also, but that, of course, is a bogus one."

The Bishop held his peace, but must have felt slightly chagrined at the miscarriage of his liberality. Later he ventured to inquire of the other churchwarden what the collection had amounted to.

"Seventeen and eightpence half-penny—much better than usual," was the answer cheerfully given.

The prelate does not divulge whether or no he pocketed his modesty and confessed that some acquaintance with the golden coin enabled him to vouch for its genuineness.

THE LUNATIC'S LITTLE RIDE.

THERE was some time ago in the Fulham Workhouse a lunatic, who was very harmless. It was thought, however, advisable to have him removed to an asylum, and the master obtained an order for that purpose. Combining business with pleasure, he chartered a horse and trap, and drove the "lunatic" to the asylum, intending to wind up with a pleasant drive on his own account. On the road, however, the "lunatic" saw in the master's pocket the order for admission to the asylum, and he quietly abstracted it.

The moment they arrived he got down from the trap, and said to the officials he had brought them an inmate, a very quiet man, whose only madness was an idea that he was the master of the Fulham Workhouse. The master vehemently protested that the other man was the lunatic, and that he himself was in reality the master of the Fulham Workhouse. "I told you so," said the lunatic, pityingly, "but this will settle the matter. There is the order for his admission." The unlucky master was violently removed, and the lunatic got up into the trap and drove away.

A WISE PRECAUTION.

BROWN: "What have you got in the bottle, Robinson?"

Robinson: "Ether."

Brown: "What are you going to do with ether?"

Robinson: "That big duffer Jones has threatened to give me a thrashing next time he meets me, and as soon as I see him coming I'm going to take it. I don't propose to suffer if I can help it."

Edison's Appliances.

ACCORDING to a recent writer, Edison's laboratory contains samples of every substance in the world. The thousands of pigeon holes and drawers contain skins, feathers, and furs of the whole animal creation, bones and tusks of all sorts of creatures, minerals, barks, grasses, drugs, fruits, and gums in bewildering completeness. Some of the species are so rare that they are kept, like diamonds, in little folded papers.

The grotesque nature of some of the materials there collected prompted the inquiry:—

"How can you ever want such things as sharks' teeth or rhinoceros horn?"

"Ah, that question shows that you don't know what queer things electricians use," replied our modern Virgil. "During the progress of the experiments with the incandescent electric light, for instance, nearly everything one can think of was tried as a primary material from which to form the delicate carbon filament whose incandescence is the source of the light. Finally, as perhaps you know, shreds of one particular variety of bamboo were found to give the most gratifying results; and there, by the way, you can see a few bales of the very reeds from which those strips are cut. Again, the delicate needle, which, affixed to the underside of the vibrating diaphragm of the phonograph, indents the smooth, revolving surface of the waxen cylinder, had to be formed of some material possessing peculiar properties of elasticity and rigidity. Scores of the most unlikely substance, both organic and inorganic, natural and artificial, were tried before the right one was hit upon. And so it goes with all the little details of electric appliances."

A GOOD REASON.

AMATEUR: "You said I could take instantaneous pictures with this camera. It's a swindle."

Shopkeeper: "No; I said it would take groups and slowly moving objects. I did not warrant it to take a racehorse or a cannon ball."

"Well, I tried it on a messenger boy and failed."

"Impossible!"

"I failed, and that's all there is about it."

"Very strange. Had the boy a telegram in his hand?"

"No, he was going to his dinner."

"Oh!"

VERY FORGETFUL.

ANATOLE (to De Jones, who has been trying to make himself understood in bill-of-fare French): "If ze gentleman vill talk ze language vot he was born in, I vill very mooch better understood."

Mr. de Jones (to friend): "Queer, ain't it, how soon these Frenchmen forget their own lingo when they get over here?"

AN UNPLEASANT COINCIDENCE.

MISS CAUSTIC: "How persistent Mr. Speck is in his attentions to you, my dear."

Miss Sopht: "Isn't he? I really think he is not just right in his mind."

Miss C.: "How discerning you are, my dear. Exactly the same idea occurred to me."

JUDGED BY THEIR NAMES.

MISS KNIGHT (to new acquaintance whose name she did not catch): "Etymology of names is my favourite study. My theory is that all names indicate what the person's ancestors were: for instance, my ancestors were knights, the Smith family were blacksmiths, and so forth. I think it's the best way to tell what a person is, don't you, sir?"

Well, no, he didn't, because his name was Hogg!

A TECHNICAL DETAIL.

DAVID, the famous French painter, made one of his pictures for the Salon, with the figure of a prancing horse foaming at the mouth. It was all the rage. One day, as David passed along the gallery, he saw a sturdy farmer laughing heartily at the picture.

"What are you laughing at?" the painter inquired.

"I am thinking of the imbecile who drew that horse," replied the farmer. "Only an idiot would be ignorant of the fact that a horse never foams unless he has a bit in his mouth, sir."

AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK.

HUSBAND (alarmed): "Emily, there seems to be smoke coming up through the floor. Run and tell the lady on the flat below something's afire in her part of this building! Quick! Quick!"

Wife (cold and stately): "Cyrus, I'll never do it in the world. We've lived three months in this flat, and she has never called on me."

MRS CHISLEY: "I see statistics show that seventy-five per cent. of male criminals are unmarried." Mr. Chisley: "Which shows how many men prefer prison to matrimony." And the ensuing silence was so deep that Mrs. Chisley could hear herself reflect.

MODERN SHOPPING.—"Well," said Mrs. O., when she returned home in the evening and found her husband waiting supper, "I've been shopping all the afternoon and I'm so fatigued that I can hardly stand on my feet."

"May I look at your purchases?" asked Mr. O.

"Oh, I only bought half a yard of pink satin ribbon."

"Well, let me see that."

"I can't. I ordered it to be sent home, and it has not yet arrived."

DAUGHTER: "No, father, I cannot marry that man. He has red hair."

Father: "But, my dear daughter, that objection doesn't amount to anything. Don't you notice that he is going quite bald, and in a short time he will not have a single red hair on his head?"

"LEND me five shillings. I need them very much."

"What for?"

"I want to pawn my watch."

"But you don't need any money for that."

"Indeed I do. I must get it from the watchmaker's first."

SORROWS OF THE CROSS-EYED MAN.—"May I have the honour of the next waltz with you?"

Two ladies (eagerly rising): "With pleasure."

A YOUNG man advertises for a place as salesman, and says he has had a great deal of experience, having been discharged from seven different situations within a year.

"WHAT is your idea of a true gentleman, Jack?"

"A true gentleman always laughs at the joke of a story, and never says he has heard it before."

Method in Modesty.

HE was such a pleasant fellow,
So polite, so polished, too;
Everywhere we went together
He would murmur—"After you!"

Did we reach a door together,
He would never first go through,
But would wait and let me pass him,
Saying softly—"After you!"

Was there anything we wanted,
Which was not enough for two,
He would always let me have it,
Always murmured—"After you!"

So it was on each occasion,
Whatso'er the case might be;
He would never be the leader
But was always after me.

He has borrowed fifty sovereigns,
Maybe 'tis a passing whim,
But he has not since been heard of—
And now I am after him.

ABOUT eighty or ninety years ago, when the cotton manufacturing trade was in its infancy, several poor Scotchmen settled in Manchester who ultimately became millionaires, and whose descendants are still connected with the city. We were speaking, some time ago, with a very old woman, who knew one of these men in his early struggles. His landlady he paid too little for his room, and she was determined to raise his rent from 1s. 6d. to 1s. 8d. per week. This the Scotchman stoutly resisted, and was resolved to pack up his baggage and begone rather than pay a fraction more than 1s. 6d. After gaining his point, he concluded the dispute with this axiom, which ought to be remembered by our young men: "It isn't that I mind muckle for the odd tuppence; but, ye ken, Betty, it's the breaking into a fresh piece o' siller!"

ARTEMUS WARD had a poorly-painted panorama. When anything especially bad appeared, he would gaze admiringly at it, and then, with a look of reproach at the audience, remark, "This picture is a great work of art. It is an oil painting done in petroleum. It is by the old masters. It was the last they did before dying. They did this and then expired. I wish you were nearer, so that you could see it better. I wish I could take it to your residences and let you see it by daylight. Some of the greatest artists come here every morning before daylight with lanterns to look at it. They say they never saw anything like it before, and hope they never will again." Then, pointing to some vile splashes of paint, "These are intended for horses. I know they are, because the artist told me so. After two years he came to me and said, 'Mr. Ward, I cannot conceal it from you any longer. They are horses.'"

IT COST EVEN LESS.

ONE Mr. Holmes, hurrying along the road to catch a train, hailed Farmer Jones, who passed him in a gig, whereupon Mr. Holmes asked for a ride. Farmer Jones consented, and all went well for a short time; but the horse was frisky, and after shying at several objects in the road, at last set off on a mad gallop, to the terror of Mr. Holmes, who was nervous and delicate, and rather afraid of horses.

"I say, Jones," he said at last, "I'd give a sovereign to be out of this."

"Hold your tongue, man!" replied Jones; "you'll be out for nothing in less than a minute."

And he was.

"HE WAS EXCUSED."—The "tremendous manner" of the really kind-hearted Mr. Forster kept his servants in a becoming state of humility, though it was the source of considerable amusement to his friends. Upon one occasion Henry the faithful butler, seemed unaccountably nervous at dinner, making several blunders. His master frowned and fumed, and surveyed the serving-man with crushing glances; but Henry kept bravely on until the dessert and coffee were served. Then, stealing up behind Mr. Forster's chair, he softly said, "Please, sir, can you spare me now? My 'ouse has been on fire for an hour and a 'alf."

A NATURALIST has satisfied himself beyond a doubt that the average cat travels a distance of eight miles every night. Then it must be some other cat that sits in the back yard several hours every night, loudly complaining of the high taxes or something.

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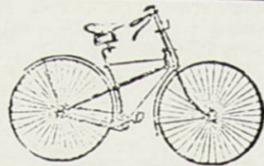
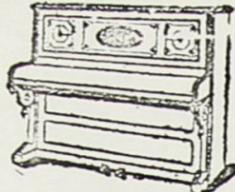
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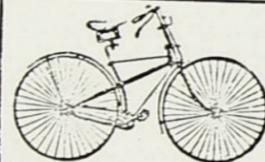
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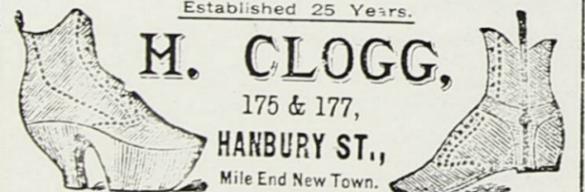
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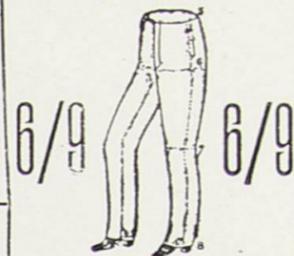
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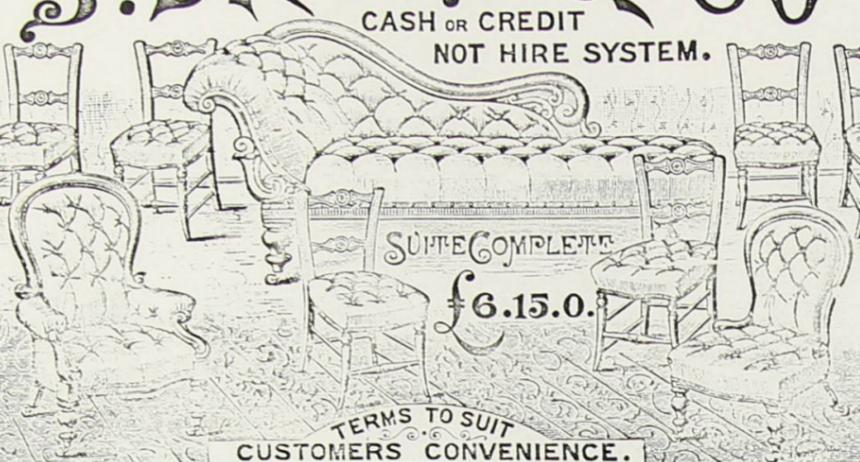
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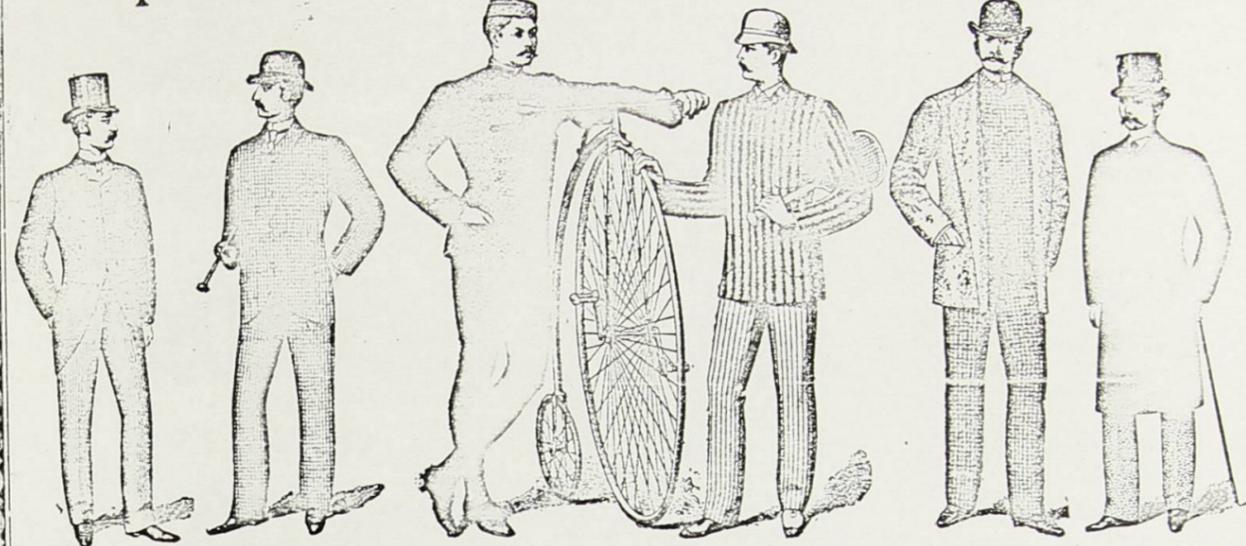
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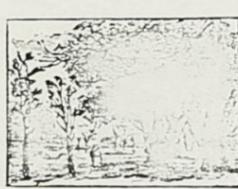
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