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Uncle Reuben Says:
I reckon it's best as we happen to feel. De day dat Reuben Scott traded mews wid me, an' his critter died while I was leadin' it home, I dun not down an' declared dat de world had got so wicked I didn't want to lib in it anoder day. De next week, arter I had traded a shotgun for a watch wid de same man, and had got de big end of de bargain, I told de old woman dat de world was so good dat I wanted to lib fur 500 y'ars longer. —Detroit Free Press.

Needed Evidence.
"I'm sure when I was your age I never got as dirty as you do," said the mother, reproachfully.
"Well, I'd like to hear what grandma has to say about that," was the reply of the precocious little daughter. —Chicago Post.

Poisoned by Mercury.
Some mysterious deaths of cattle in Alderney have been traced to a curious source. Mercury was found in the dead animals, and also in many meadows and gardens, and the presence of the poison is attributed to a recent explosion of a factory for manufacture of mercury. The fumes from the explosion were carried to a distance by a strong gale. As a result of the inquiry, the manufacture of explosives in the island has been prohibited.



Which Let Him Out.
He—Madeline, darling, could you, Oh, would you, marry a poor, penniless lawyer?
She—Oh, yes, I could; but I'm not going to.—Flegende Blatter.

Revised History.
There was a young fellow named Cain, Who was wicked, like Mary McLane, With the leg of a table He slugged brother Abel, And shouted: "Remember the Maine!"

FIXING FOR THE DOG SHOW.

Great Fussing and Infinite Pain Taken in Preparing Animals for Exhibition.

To put sleeping socks on a dog and do up his hair in curling papers would seem a pretty enough pastime for children, but hardly what the average adult could call work. Nevertheless, in preparing dogs for such a show as the exhibition of the Ladies' Kennel Association of America men are employed in giving dogs even more elaborate toilettes than these. More time is doubtless spent in combing and brushing the hair of some dogs than in arranging the pompadours of their mistresses, says the New York Tribune.

When dogs come from all parts of the country for a show various breeds stand the journey in various ways. Terriers, because of their highly nervous temperaments, are likely to lose considerable flesh, and need to be fed well just before the exhibition. Bulldogs, St. Bernards and other large, long-haired dogs are good travelers, and sometimes gain so much weight by a change that they have to be exercised sharply to reduce their weight. When exercise does not bring off the flesh, a still quicker means of "shrinking them" is massage. The keeper rubs and rubs and rubs his dog until his extra flesh, like the smoke of Sir Walter Raleigh's pipe, cannot be weighed.

The longer hair a dog has, the more work to "condition him" for an exhibition. For example, after a Yorkshire terrier recovers from his journey, he is bathed and his hair brushed. This kind of a dog should be put up for exhibit as "near out of the tub" as possible. The man who brushes his hair must have an arm of iron, for he must keep brushing for hours. Often two men alternate at the task, and after one has thoroughly exhausted both arms his relay takes up the task. A special kind of brush is employed, which resembles a brush for the human hair, but the bristles are about twice as long. After the hair has been brushed until it waves like the fabled fleece which Jason sought, it is tied up in curl papers. Should the dog care to take a nap, socks are put on his feet, lest in scratching his ear he should dislodge his toilet, and his ear placed just so that the weight of his head will not crumple it.

In the preparation of a French poodle a man must be a carpenter as well as a landscape gardener. The woolly hair of this breed of poodle is not only cropped skintight about his loins and legs, but tufts are left here and there to represent bracelets, roses and earrings. Some dog artists use merely an ordinary pair of highly sharpened scissors for the task, and they spend hours cutting the hair of one leg so that the bracelet of hair which sticks out around the ankle will be perfectly symmetrical. To insure results that will be

geometrically correct, the most scientific artists use calipers, just as does a carpenter in turning a block of wood.

The bracelet of one leg must, of course, correspond exactly with the bracelets of all the other legs, and often hours of patient toil are wasted by a slip of the scissors and the gouging of an immaculately rounded circle.

Though the average spectator at a dog show may not know it, there is a great deal of "faking" in preparing dogs for the bench, which his untutored eyes cannot discern. In an Irish, Welsh or Airedale terrier which are the breeds now paramount in "swell" dog society, a great deal of attention is given to the shape of the head. The ideally shaped head for these breeds of dog is that of a rat, which is straight all the way from the forehead to the tip of the nose. The everyday dog, which gets lost and ends up in the pound, has what is called a "stop" about level with his eyes. The "stop" consists of a depression, which makes the forehead bulge. These terriers, however, should not have a "stop" if they want to claim distinguished pedigrees. If such a dog does have a "stop" naturally, its owner crops its hair close on his forehead and leaves it long between his eyes, and so his head is "on the level." It is also by the clever manipulation of shears that a dog can be made to look broad chested when, in fact, his chest is narrow, or his legs fashioned straight when the bones are crooked.

Social Duties of President's Wife.
That the position of president's wife is no sinecure, any one will be convinced after reading the clever article which Mrs. Abby G. Baker has contributed to Pearson's, detailing some of the cares and responsibilities which fall to her lot. She is hedged about with a wall of precedents as high as heaven, and bound by a social code whose ethics a hundred years of usage has made as immutable as the laws of the Medes and Persians. A tactless woman can do much to jeopardize her husband's interests in the white house, while a tactful wife may be of inestimable assistance. Mrs. Baker gives an interesting account of Mrs. Roosevelt's charming hospitality as mistress of the white house, and of the close cooperation between her and the ladies of the cabinet.

Graft.
The spirit of graft exhibits itself in many ways. When the rain was pouring its hardest recently a man walking up Broadway suddenly discovered that he was sharing his umbrella with a very small messenger boy. The man kept silent, but as he caught the upturned eye of the boy, the latter said, naively: "Good graft, I've been under an umbrella all the way from Wall street." The youngster's clothes had not a drop of water on them, and, after walking a few blocks, he said a pleasant "Thank you," and darted into a doorway. —N. Y. Post.

RECORD SCORE FOR A FIVE MAN TEAM.

Bloodgood's Best Bowlers Make Great Scores at Practice Last Night.

Last night Bloodgood's Best Bowlers broke the record for team work on the alleys. They rolled 972 in one game, averaging 194 per man. This is bowling almost perfect. The Three Bs have a reputation as good hands at the game but last night's game places them in a sphere of their own.

The scores were: Bloodgood, 182; Holzworth, 182; Graham, 191; Koch, 203; Waring, 213.

Waring is the anchor man. His bowling is never erratic. In every match game played this year he has done good work. All the players are strong bowlers.

CHURCHES.

Simpson M. E.

The midweek prayer and praise service tonight. The subject will be "The Value of a Soul." Mr. Jackson will review the deeply interesting address given in the Presbyterian church last evening.

Danish M. E.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet tomorrow afternoon at Mrs. A. Nilsson's home, 188 State street.

Baptist.

The subject of the prayer meeting tonight is "How to Reach the Lost." At the close the annual business meeting of the church will be held.

Red Men Meet.

The members of Po Ambo Tribe No. 63, Improved Order of Red Men, are all requested to meet at their rooms in the City Hall at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Chris Williams, of Madison avenue.

Exempts Meet Tonight.

The Exempt Firemen's Association will meet in Washington Hose house tonight at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Rogers' Lover on the Stand.
BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 16.—The state has placed on the witness stand the man for the love of whom, it alleges, Mary H. Rogers murdered her husband. Next to Leo D. Perham, the confessed accomplice of the defendant, Morris Knapp is the most important witness of the prosecution. He admitted an attachment for the defendant based upon the belief that she was free to marry him, told of their personal relations, of frequent long letters received from the woman. Mrs. Rogers had at first represented herself as single, then as the sister of Marcus H. Rogers, the murdered man, and finally told him that she had been married, but that her husband had left her.

Talked With Napoleon at St. Helena.
JOHNSON CITY, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Major William H. Garland, aged ninety-four years, is dead at the National Soldiers' home here. He had shaken hands with every president of the United States except Washington. He was on the naval cadet detail that welcomed Lafayette on his second visit to America in 1824, and he at one time conversed with Napoleon on the island of St. Helena. Major Garland's wife and children were drowned in the Evansville (Ind.) flood in 1884. He was for many years a Baptist minister.

Boer Yorder For Mexico.
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Prospects for the rehabilitation of the Boer country are very poor, according to the reports brought here by General Ben J. Viljoen, one of the Transvaal leaders in the fight with Great Britain, who is a passenger on the Umbria. He is now on his way to Mexico, where he hopes to engage in agricultural interests, for his home is wrecked, and many of the people of his native land are unable to recover from the effects of the war which devastated their lands.

Boy Bandit Confesses.
CHICOPEE, Mass., Dec. 16.—Claiming to be only fifteen years old, John T. Malone, who was arrested in Springfield and later confessed to having assaulted, bound and gagged Israel Dick, a Main street merchant, and attempted to rifle the safe, was arraigned in police court on a charge of assault and attempted robbery. He was held under \$500 bonds until Thursday morning, when his case will be considered by the court and an agent of the state board of charities.

To Probe Colorado Strike.
CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Dec. 16.—The trades and labor assembly of the Cripple Creek district has endorsed the resolution of United States Senator Patterson providing for an investigation of the strike situation in Colorado, and copies have been forwarded to President Roosevelt, Senators Patterson and Teller and to the president of the senate.

Soldiers Plan Lynching.
SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 16.—Thomas R. Fuller, the Fort Douglas soldier accused of assaulting and seriously injuring a young woman here, has been taken to the state penitentiary for safe keeping. Nearly 200 soldiers at the post were planning to storm the jail and lynch Fuller.

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NEW TRIBE IS FOUND

Strange Race of People Discovered in Australia.

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The days of Australian exploration are not yet at an end, for a couple of scientists from Queensland and New South Wales respectively have just ascertained the existence in the far north of a people who had never previously been seen by white men. The discoverers, reports the London Globe, were Dr. Roth, the Queensland protector of northern aborigines, who is, perhaps, more familiar with aboriginal life and character than is any other individual in the Commonwealth, and Charles Hedley, the ethnologist of the Sydney museum. They were making a scientific tour of the Gulf of Carpentaria and of the Wellesley archipelago at the southern end of the Gulf. Mornington Island, which has an area of ten by 40 miles, was discovered by Capt. Matthew Flinders in 1802 while surveying and mapping out the Gulf, but he does not appear to have landed on it. Since that time the island has been known only by name. It is not an inviting place for the settler, the soil being poor, with extensive tracts of marshy country. There is plenty of bush and coarse forest, and this affords shelter to large numbers of kangaroos and other animals, which furnish a plentiful supply of food for the islanders.

Dr. Roth and Mr. Hedley experienced no difficulty in effecting a landing, and found the islanders, scientifically speaking, an interesting people, their modes of living and general characteristics showing that they had been separated from the mainland natives for many generations. With one exception, an aboriginal who had visited the shores of the Gulf, none of the islanders had ever seen a white man, and the use of clothing, however scanty, was unknown to both sexes alike. The visitors, together with some "tame" blacks—that is, natives who have been educated at the mission station in northern Queensland and elsewhere—remained on the island three days, employing the "tame" blacks as guides and scouts, and it was speedily discovered that the latter could converse in a fashion with the islanders, whose language was a dialectical version of that of the Gulf natives. Great caution had to be observed by the visitors, who were always armed, the islanders having spears and a few boomerangs, but always running away as the white men advanced. At last, however, a couple of the islanders were induced to make friends with the two explorers, whom they regarded with a stolid gaze, as if their unexpected appearance was an every day occurrence. This seeming indifference is an aboriginal characteristic. Their assumed apathy vanished the moment that Dr. Roth and Mr. Hedley lighted their pipes. They stared in bewilderment and, according to the "tame" boys, declared that the white men were burning their mouths.

They were equally astonished when a match was used for lighting a fire and a "billy" employed for boiling water. Mr. Hedley distributed among them a number of penny whistles which he had brought from Sydney, and soon the bush began to be filled with sounds to which it had previously been a stranger. The islanders, who form a race new to ethnologists, are supposed to be a retrograde type, or else a more primitive type than the ordinary Australian aboriginal. They do not, like the natives on the mainland, live in huts, but collect heaps of grass and sleep on the bare ground to the leeward of them. Articles which have to be carried from one place to another are wrapped in bark, the use of baskets being unknown, as is that of canoes, the water craft employed being rudely constructed rafts, consisting of each of a couple of logs with some light weed, propelled by branches as paddles. Compared with the natives on the mainland, the islanders seemed far behind in a knowledge of even the rudest aboriginal appliances. They have, however, a stringent system of tribal classification, intended to represent different degrees of relationship and to assist in preventing too close intermarriage. The origin of this system, so prevalent among all classes of Australian aboriginals, remains an unsolved mystery. Its existence on Mornington Island was discovered by Dr. Roth when one of the islanders refused to speak to one of the "tame" boys because he was his "father-in-law."

Only members of the tribe belonging to the same class are allowed to marry, and much to the amusement of the two explorers, they found an island woman flirting with one of the "tame" blacks, she having ascertained that both belonged to the same class and that she, therefore, could marry him if he were willing. Notwithstanding the rough nature of life among the islanders, they looked strong and healthy, although somewhat undernourished, and were apparent of a peaceful disposition. They were ignorant of the arts of cultivation, their food consisting of wild fruits, fish and meat, fire being obtained by rubbing a couple of sticks together. Except their weapons and a few cooking appliances, there is no personal property, almost everything being shared in common. It is probable that a second visit may be paid to the island a few months hence, when some further information respecting the islanders will be procurable, there being an opinion that further investigation will assist in throwing some light on the character of Australian aboriginal life in the past.

Relieving the Congestion.
The Removal society, organized in New York city, is finding employment and homes in different parts of the country for Jews from the over-crowded ghetto. Last year the society sent 8,000 persons to 45 states, and only three per cent. of them are now in large cities, and but one per cent. have returned to New York.

Schools and Armies.
Switzerland is the only country in Europe that spends more for schools than for the army. Belgium spends three times as much for the army as for schools. Germany five times as much for the army. Holland five times as much. France six times as much. Great Britain eight times as much.

The College Man.
Records prove that the college man at 30 is far in advance of the man of the same age who entered by the apprentice door. Even at 30 it is shown that four years spent at college were not wasted, and that he really acquired ability to learn how to

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