

In other cases the bereaved bride is taken back by her family, who soon choose for her another husband.—'Society for the Propagation of the Faith.'

TRUE FEELING

One day last summer a German entered the establishment of a photographer in a Southern town, and, after several glances about the place, observed, mournfully, that the photographer did not seem to have the properties essential to the taking of a picture he desired.

'I should like a picture of myself weeping beside my wife's grave,' he said. 'Maybe you fix a grave here in the shop for me.'

'I am afraid I haven't the necessary accessories,' said the photographer. Then, with an attempt at facetiousness, he suggested: 'Couldn't we arrange to have the portrait made at the grave itself?'

'Dot's in Pennsylvania,' sighed the German. 'It would be too expensive to go there. You must fix up some kind of grave here in the shop. I could weep on dot. It's no trouble for me to weep anywhere.'

A MISUNDERSTANDING

An Ohio young woman read at her graduation an essay on Hawthorne. The young woman said:

'At the age of thirty-nine Hawthorne married, and took his wife to the old manse.'

The day after the commencement one of the village maidens called on Miss E., and remarked, 'Wasn't it mean that Maud should say such a thing in her essay?'

'To what do you refer?'

'Why, she said, at the age of thirty-nine Hawthorne married, and took his wife to the old man's. Why didn't she say to his father-in-law's?'

ODDS AND ENDS

Mother: 'Tommy, have you eaten all your sweets without even thinking of sister?' Tommy: 'Oh! no, mamma. I was thinking of her the whole time. I was afraid she'd come before I'd finished them!'

'This,' said the guide in a Dresden art gallery, 'is the famous Sistine Madonna. This painting is worth close on one million dollars.' 'Does that include the frame?' asked the tourist from Chicago.

'What do you want to set such a tough chicken before me for?' indignantly exclaimed a fair damsel in a restaurant the other day. 'Age before beauty, always, you know, ma'am,' replied the polite attendant, who well knew how to serve his employer and a tough chicken at the same time.

FAMILY FUN

Why is a man carrying a basket of loaves on his head sure to be ill-mannered?—Because he is under bread (underbred).

What is the difference between a fault we have barely succeeded in conquering and an immigrant who is landing?—One is just overcome and the other just come over.

What is the name of the boy who can be set at liberty by a letter?—Fred will be freed by 'e.'

What letter will make a boy eager?—'A' will make Ernest earnest.

What letter will make a boy curve?—'D' will make Ben bend.

What letter will make a girl wed?—'R' will make Mary marry.

What animal could easily be remodelled into a graceful garment?—A goat into a toga.

What animal could by a slight change be soon converted into metal?—Roe would be ore by a slight transposition.

What inclement season would be most acceptable in an arid country?—A cold spring.

How can a Scotch child be made to protect grain and hay?—A bairn becomes a barn by losing an 'i.'

How could a little child possibly grow into a tower of great renown?—By adding 'i' a babe becomes Babel.

What pronoun is a sorceress?—Witch (which).

What pronoun is never here?—There (their).

What pronoun belongs to the potato?—Eye (I).

What pronoun belongs to the musical scale?—Mi (me).

What pronoun possesses a spout?—Ewer (your).

All Sorts

Asparagus is so plentiful on the Russian steppes that the cattle eat it like grass. The seeds are sometimes dried and used as a substitute for coffee.

Bees are said to see an enormous distance. When absent from their hive they go up in the air and they see their home, and then fly towards it in a straight line.

Sweden has the oldest vessel in Europe—perhaps in the world—in the schooner Emanuel, built in 1749. She was first a privateer, and is now in the timber trade.

Teacher: 'Wait a moment, Johnny; what do you understand by the word "deficit"?—It's what you've got when you haven't got as much as if you just hadn't nothin'.'

In adversity a man has opportunities of studying the anatomy of the backs of his acquaintances; in prosperity he sees only their fronts. For a full view of life, then, a man should have days of pinching and days of plenty.

'There, Mary,' said a lady, proudly exhibiting a picture of herself to her servant, 'that is a portrait of me painted when I was a child!' 'Bless us, mum,' said the domestic, 'what a pity it is we have to grow up, ain't it?'

The largest trees in the world are the giant redwoods of California. One of these in a grove in Tulare County is one hundred and eight feet in circumference at the base and seventy-six feet at a point twelve feet from the ground.

'Well,' said the young lawyer, after he had heard his new client's story, 'your case appears to be good. I think we can secure a verdict without much trouble.'

'That's what I told my wife,' said the man, 'and yet she insisted at first that we ought to engage a first-class lawyer.'

One of the most important substances used by the physician is iodine, made from the ashes of sea-weeds, which is a nearly certain remedy for some complaints which were formerly considered incurable. It is also one of the most important agents employed in the processes of photography.

The highest lighthouses are the Bartholdi Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor, which is one hundred and fifty-one feet, besides a pedestal of one hundred and fifty-five feet; one at Genoa, Italy, two hundred and eighteen feet in height; and Cape Hatteras light, which is one hundred and eighty-nine feet.

From the 'Newspaper Press Directory' we ascertain that there are published in the United Kingdom 2461 newspapers, distributed as follows: England 1881, Wales 114, Scotland 261, Ireland 191, Isles 17. Of these there are 184 daily papers published in England, 7 in Wales, 18 in Scotland, 18 in Ireland, and 4 in British Isles. In the year 1846 there were published in the United Kingdom 551 journals. Of these 14 were issued daily, 12 in England, and 2 in Ireland.

The so-called briar pipe is not made of briar at all, but from the root of a particular kind of heather called in French Bruyere, which grows on the hillsides of the Tuscan Alps, in North Italy, and on the mountains of Corsica. English tradesmen, finding the correct word bruyere somewhat difficult for the British tongue to pronounce, reduced it to briar, and in this way the corruption crept in and was established by popular usage. Originally Swiss peasants made snuff-boxes of this wood, and when snuff-taking became unfashionable the peasants turned their attention to making pipes from the root, and found a ready market for them.

There was launched recently at Belfast one of the largest steamers which has yet been built. It is the new Holland-America liner Rotterdam, the first of over 20,000 tons to be put under the Dutch flag. The gross tonnage is about 24,000. It is worth notice that the new steamer has quadruple expansion engines, but the speed aimed at is of 17 knots, so that whilst it approaches in size to the great Cunarders, it does not aim at anything like their speed. The passenger accommodation is for about 520 first cabin, 530 second cabin, and 2400 third class, so that, apart from the crew, about 3450 persons are to be accommodated in this latest addition to the steamers for the Atlantic trade.

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