

FORGIVENESS.

As in the evening cool Of the heart laked city street...

And he stood by, silent and hard, While the maid soon dried her tear...

A CASE OF INSOMNIA.

THE RETIRED BURGLAR RELATES AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE.

How He Came to Eat Roasted Oysters With a Gentleman Who Couldn't Sleep. He Didn't Make a Cent, but Enjoyed the Best and Had a Pleasant Visit.

"I found the dining room of a house that I was looking over one night," said the retired burglar, "filled with a glow of light from a bright coal fire burning in a grate at one end of the room...

WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

Something About This World Famous Old English Church.

The architecture of Westminster abbey dates back to a remote period, but long before any part of the present "glorious pile" was in existence a Saxon church stood upon the same spot.

Considered architecturally, the first church here of which we have any authentic history was erected by Edward the Confessor and consecrated on Holy Innocent's day, 1065.

The fortunes of the abbey followed and are closely interwoven with those of the nation, and many, therefore, are its historical associations.

In the north transept are buried many renowned statesmen. There lie Pitt, Wilberforce, Fox, Peel, Canning and Palmerston.

HOW TO ESCAPE COLDS.

Not by Coddling, but by Becoming Able to Endure Necessary Exposure.

It is not always sufficient to point out a danger. It is often of even greater importance to show how the danger may be averted.

A German professor once wrote a long treatise, with a learned title, on how to avoid catching cold.

Let the body be hardened by a cold sponge bath or even a cold plunge, followed by brisk rubbing with a "scratchy" towel, every morning.

Most game birds and animals, because of a life of ceaseless activity, do not take on fat, and such should be larded or cooked with slices of bacon or salt pork placed on them.

Stockport, England, boasts one of the largest Sunday schools in the world. The total number of scholars at present on the books is no fewer than 4,884.

At the beginning of this century a great fee line cholera remedy was in use in Persia. It consisted in washing a fatal ailment from the throat and forcing it down the patient's throat.

MORTALITY OF SLANG.

WORDS AND PHRASES THAT RUN WILD AND ARE SHORT LIVED.

The Use of Slang as a Habit Compared to Swearing and the Intemperate Use of Intoxicants—The Harm That Results From the Non-sensical Custom.

The Italian method of prefixing a s to a word to give it a damaging significance can be employed with good effect in christening that wayward and degenerate offspring of English known as slang.

It will thus be seen that slang, being of emotional ancestry, is a first cousin to the oath, and both are used by those who mentally resemble the man whose use of intoxicating drinks has made him forget or underestimate the attractions of pure water.

Another fatal characteristic of slang is the very common habit of first securing its adoption—namely, its pungency.

Still another reason why slang can never gain a permanent foothold in the language is its utter lack of dignity.

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CASTORIA. The face of the child is on every wrapper. A Sign of Cultivation. "Somebody must be cultivating the widow."

THE OLD OFFICE DEVIL.

He Tells How He Evolved into a Conscienceless Editor.

The old time devil was keen to learn. He had gall. He wasn't afraid to ask the milliners for advertising or printing. He dreamed of owning a paper of his own.

The editor can recall his last visit from the tramp printer he "learned the trade" with, the one who made gasoline. He came into the "shop" and was denied work by the foreman.

"Jack Hill," was the reply. "I know him," he said laconically. "I taught him his biz."

"Gasoline" got what he asked for, just as all things do who apply. The next morning he called on his editor friend again, and when he found him discussing prohibition with two or three ministers and one or two of the elders of the town he lurched right into the editorial den and joined in the talk to help the editor along.

"Jack, if you don't gimme a quarter to buy a drink with I'll sit here and holler."

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GREATEST OF COLONIZERS.

Much of the Earth Owe Its Settlement to the Finding of Gold.

It has been well said that gold is the greatest of colonizers, and this has proved especially true in the latter half of the present century.

California was a remote and outlying province of Mexico, inhabited by Indians, gathered in missions or scattered abroad, and cattle barons and their dependents, visited by a few ships each year in search of a freight of hides, when the picking up of a few grains of gold in the banks of a mill race called the gold seekers from the four quarters of the earth and transformed a wilderness into a populous empire.

South Africa might have remained forever a grassy waste, the home of savages contending with the Boers and the British for the possession of illimitable pastures, had not gold called the miner and those who follow him to build Johannesburg.—Kansas City Times.

Architects in these times are opposed to any rooms in a house that are not living rooms. The prim and usually deserted parlor of former days has been banished, and that old fashioned ice-house known as the spare chamber sent to keep its company through modern heating and housekeeping improvements.

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