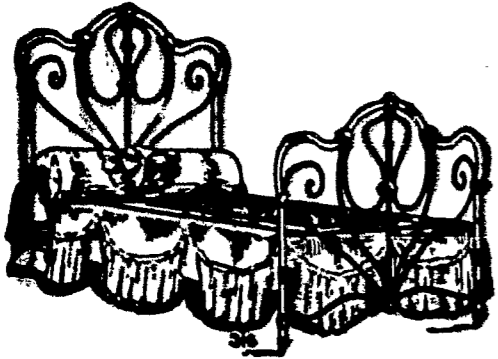


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A few months ago there appeared in several of the Roman papers a curious advertisement, which ran something like this:

Wanted—To purchase immediately a gray she-wolf, to replace the wolf of the Capitol, which has just died.

Perhaps no one thing in Rome illustrates more eloquently what may be termed the programme of patriotism adopted by the Quirinal than the wolf of the Capitol. Hidden by the broad staircase mounting to the Capitol, it occupies two wire-fronted cages, about ten feet across, where, at the expense of a grateful municipality, it lives a life restricted, but of great social distinction as the modern representative of the mother wolf that suckled Romulus and Remus. Rome is never without its wolf, if it can help itself. Imaginative, enjoying whatever appeals to the sense of mystery and the supernatural, the Romans like to believe the wolf legend authentic and themselves the descendants of the shadowy Romulus—a belief which the government, for its part, is only too glad to "play up."

For, in truth, the Capitoline wolf is but one of those simple but immensely effective links between the Rome of Servius Tullius and the Rome of Humbert which the Italian Government never loses an opportunity to forget when absent and to strengthen when present. Insignificant as it may seem, it is a factor in the programme of patriotic education which the government has set itself. The comprehensive lines on which this policy has been conceived and the earnestness with which it is being carried out, can hardly escape even the casual visitor to Rome. By means that must appeal to the simplest imagination, it is stimulating the national spirit and pride of the rising generations of Italian youths, and, as one preeminently potent means to this end, it is bending every effort to make Rome seem what in reality it is—the Capital of United Italy.

As far back as 1870, according to Prof. Mario Cosenza of the Latin department of the College of the City of New York, the municipality adopted a system of nomenclature in the case of new streets with the deliberate purpose of teaching history and patriotism at the same time. In that year municipal improvements were begun in the eastern section with the laying out of new streets in that part of the old Equiline hill where Maccenas once had his garden and where the railway station is now. Here the streets are named after the royal house of Savoy—Victor Emmanuel, Margherita, and so on. In the Ludovisi quarter, which is rising from the gardens of Salustia, the streets bear the names of the provinces of united Italy—Lombardy, Campania, Venetia. Outside the medieval walls near the Janiculum, once the site of Nero's gardens, the streets are called after the great Romans of ancient times, such as Pompey, Caesar. Finally, those in the district around the old Praetorian camp memorialize the famous battles of the War of Unification—Magenta, Castelfidardo. All these latter centre around the Piazza dell'Indipendenza.

"In its relics and works of art," said Prof. Cosenza, "the Quirinal finds a tremendous aid to its patriotic propaganda. It also finds in them an enormously valuable source of national income. They are, in fact, one of the nation's most important assets. Rome for example, is a city of about 400,000 population. In the course of a year this is supplied by the tourists who visit it, some of whom come for long periods of study, and practically all of whom are attracted by its relics and works of art or by its religious associations. Rome is a city of memories. Every landmark, every square, each of painting by a master, every sketch of ancient embroidery that leaves it impoverished by so much. The same holds true for the country. The arch enemies of the Italian Government in its pious desire to have and to hold are the American millionaires, whose ability to pay ten times over what the Government with its petty annual appropriation for the purchase of antiquities can afford, severely taxes the patriotic scruples of the owners of antiquities, and the Vatican, now as ever a keen and experienced collector. Of the two the Vatican is the more deadly.

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The English Fleets

They were discussing the law of entail—the English law bequeathing the bulk of the family property to the eldest son.

"There is 50 per cent of logic in that law," said a physician, "and if the family property went to the first-born, whether son or daughter, the law would contain 100 per cent of logic. For the first born child is practically always the best—best in brain, in brawn, in beauty, in everything."

"Why is this so? It is because married people love one another more profoundly at the beginning than afterward; for love, like all things, grows old, grows weak, often dies."

"Mrs. Craig—John Oliver Hobbes—was a first born child. So was Marie Corelli. So was Richard Mansfield. So were Joseph Chamberlain, Lord Kitchener, Max Muller, Henry Irving, George Meredith."

"Look back into the past and we see again the preeminence of the firstborn, among them Mohammed, Confucius, Raphael, Milton, Dante, Goethe, Byron, Shelley and Heine."

Inducement for Democrats. Mike Millsaps of Moore county while hunting yesterday ran upon the king rattlesnake of the "high hills." The old gray haired Democrat killed and skinned the rattler and will have the hide tanned. The skin will be made into a belt and will be presented to the next Democrat who is elected President of the United States. Mr. Millsaps says that if the event for which the belt is waiting does not occur in his lifetime—he is an old Confederate soldier and has reached his three score and ten years—he will bequeath the belt to his youngest son to see that his wishes are carried out. The snake had eleven rattles and a button.

Exploring for Eucalyptus. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad has sent the manager of its tie and timber department E. O. Faulkner, on an exploring journey to Hawaii, Japan and Australia to study the eucalyptus in those countries and perhaps to buy trees for planting. The Santa Fe Railroad has a thousand acres in eucalyptus in California, which are intended to supply tele phone poles and railroad ties. These are doing well but it is hoped that Mr. Faulkner can find still better varieties. It is a novelty for a railroad to be undertaking agricultural explorations in foreign lands.

A One-Handed Locksmith. In a little shop over on Prospect avenue, not far from the Colonial Arcade, is an old locksmith whose facility at turning out keys of difficult design and doing the other work that comes to a locksmith is a marvel to those who have seen him. The old man has only one arm. The other is off at the shoulder. By the use of a vice which he operates with his knee he is able to hold the rough pattern of the key while he works on it with his file. It is said that no task that can be performed by any locksmith with both of his hands is too much for him.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Fast English Trains. The quickest run in England is the Northeastern's from Darlington to York, 44 1/2 miles, at a speed of 61.7 miles per hour, but this can scarcely be ranked above the Great Western run from Paddington to Bristol via Bath, 118 1/2 miles, at a speed of 59.3 miles per hour. The longest run is the Great Western's from Paddington to Plymouth, 235 1/2 miles, at a speed of 54.3 miles per hour, though the Midland has one nearly as good from Leeds to St. Pancras, 190 1/2 miles, at 53.2 miles per hour.

A Recipe for a Political Speech. "I suppose you will make some speeches?" "Yes," answered Senator Borah. "I shall deliver a few timely and significant utterances." "Have you thought out what you will say?" "Yes. I shall follow my usual formula. To a few extemporaneous remarks about what I have done for the good of the country I will add a humorous anecdote and conclude by assuring my constituents that I rely on the wisdom of the plain people."

Diomed's Horses. A beginner on the turf wants to know if it would be appropriate to name one of his horses Diomed. Accordingly, no better name. The first winner of the English Derby was Diomed. The original Diomed was King of Aetolia. He had two wonderful horses named Diomed (dreadful) and Lampon (bright-eyed). Such classic names are far better than Gussie or Moonlight Jesse, Auto Belle, etc.

Valid Reason Found. With the announcement that the air 11 miles above the surface of the earth has a temperature of about 100 degrees below zero in the latitude of New York a valid argument in favor of placing a limit upon the height of buildings in Manhattan has finally been found.—New York Tribune.

French Writers and Sports. The present literary generation prides itself on its good health and gives itself freely up to sport. Among those of our writers who are under 35 years of age, one can scarcely be found who does not practice, in the most assiduous manner, one or more sports.

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Manners Have Changed. Not so many years ago women quitted the table the moment the dinner was ended, leaving the men free to drink their black coffee, smoke their cigars, sip their brandy and engage each other with state allegories. Today? Most of the women remain to join in the smoking and sipping. And some tell anecdotes. Do you remember Cowper's lament? Here it is: Perfidious weed! Whose scent the fair annoys, Unfriendly to society's chief joys, Thy worst effect is banishing thee from the hour.

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