

An Unpronounceable Name

By MARTHA V. MONROE

Two American girls stopping in Milwaukee one morning asked their landlady what there was in the way of nights in the country round about. They had "done" the city, and it only remained for them to take in anything remarkable in the environs.

Medication and Prevention. The regular physicians are studying not only methods to cure disease, but even more emphatically are they engaged in the great problems of preventive medicine.

ST. PATRICK'S NAMESAKE

By ARTHUR W. BREWSTER

It was St. Patrick's day in the morning Mrs. Mulcahey dressed her son Pat, eleven years old, in his best suit and put a bit of green ribbon in the buttonhole of his jacket.

The Story Bunsen Told. Bunsen, the great German scientist, was extremely absentminded. He had had his evening clothes put out that he might attend a card party to which he had been invited, but forgot all about it until the next morning, when his man pointed out that the evening clothes had not been worn.

In League With the Devil

By F. A. MITCHEL

Some four or five hundred years ago a student in the University of Bonn had the misfortune to lose an eye. He was devoted to alchemy, an obsolete branch and forerunner of the science we now call chemistry.

The Passing of Napoleon. Mr. Lorraine Petre has managed to say something almost new about Napoleon, no small feat in these days of intimate research.

Hamlet Under Difficulties. John Coleman, the celebrated actor once played Hamlet under difficulties. The audience was small, and a sea-faring man, who had a prominent seat in the fourth row of the pit, was not very much interested.

Sights in the Arctic. Explorers who penetrate the Arctic and Antarctic seas have a chance to observe one of the strangest phenomena in nature, that of smoke blowing from the sea.

Power of a Lightning Flash. It is hardly possible to use instruments for the purpose of measuring the force of lightning, yet there are many other ways of calculating lightning.

Just as Good. A teacher was taking a class of small children in English grammar and was explaining the difference between a common and an abstract noun.

The Letter I. The name of "I" is in Hebrew Jod of Jot, a hand, and the earliest characters representative of the sound closely resemble a hand with three fingers.

The Main Problem. "I suppose that there are many problems which polar explorers seek to solve," said the unscientific man.

Said. Scarcely had they left the house when it floated on.

The brave man carved out his life, and every man in the sea of his own words—Corvaca.

No Sense of Humor. One man met another man on the street, and the first man said to the second man: "Hello, Jim! You're just the man I wanted to see. I have a new one for you."

A Universal Word. One of the first words that a baby says is mamma or mother, and it is not strange, therefore, to find it one of the first and simplest words in every language.

Early Beds. The beds of the ancients were piles of skins. The first beds resembling those used in modern times were made of rushes and later of straw.

Corrected. The teacher had written on the blackboard the sentence: The toast was drunk in silence, and turned to the class for them to discover the mistake.

How She Knew. "I knew you were going to propose to me tonight, Jack."

More Than Lucky. "Brown's a lucky dog."

One Better. Nip Bone's speaker of the house said only thirty Buck That's nothing My wife became speaker of the house as soon as I married her, and she was only twenty two Magazine of Fun.

To Escape the Storms. Many, many storms there are that lie low and hug the ground, and the way to escape them is to go up the mountain and get higher than they are.

Jack Horner a Reality. Few people know that the nursery legend of "Little Jack Horner" conceals a real tragedy. At the reformation the chief of an abbey in the west of England resolved to surrender and in token thereof to send the deeds of the religious house to Henry VIII.

Faith For an Emperor. Lady Mary Montagu's Italian habit of waking at 7 a. m. to drink asparagus milk and then going to sleep again was only a feeble revival of the program of the Emperor Charles V.

Sheathing a Ship. Sheathing a ship is covering the bottom with a sheath of copper in all seas, but particularly in those of the tropics, the hulls of ships are liable to the attack of certain worms which penetrate the hardest wood and have been known in the course of a few months to damage the hull so as to render the vessel worthless.

Explained. "What is this civil service business that they are always talking about?" asked the boob.

Pleasant. "Oh, George, I'm so glad you're coming!" exclaimed the girl.

The Laggard. "Some of these actors must be shameless as well as shiftless," asserted the woman with the angular jaw.

Disappointed. "What makes Willoughby look so woebegone? Disappointed in love?"

His Sense of Humor. "Don't some of the decorations on women's hats amuse you?"

It is generally the idle who complain they cannot find time to do that which they fancy they wish.—Lobbeck.