

A Triangular Affair

By OSCAR COX

"I say, Tom," said Alan Everett, "I'm in a scrape."

France and the Frenchman. The French are probably the most patriotic people in the world.

A Surprise

By AMBROSE NEFF

"You can't go on this coach," said the agent.

Wise Mexican Mules. The mule in Mexico is a wise animal," says a man who has studied the animal in that country.

AN HONORABLE BURGLAR

By M. QUAD

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Mr. Glenshaw should have taken the 6 o'clock suburban train to his seashore cottage, but he missed it.

Punishment by Pillory. In the year 1837 the British parliament passed an act that put an end to punishment by pillory.

New Oil Calms the Waves. An impression prevails that great quantities of oil are required to calm the sea.

What the Tweed Divides. The difference between English and Scotch inheritance law is very wide.

Wagner's Search For a Pawnshop. Wagner's worst experience of poverty was during his sojourn in Paris in 1840.

Admit They Are Great. In an address to the Canadian club in Montreal, James Bryce said, "I do not think it would be advisable for me to say much for I have the good fortune to be a Scotchman myself."

His Weakness. "Have you ever invested in mining stocks that were to pay 100 per cent in less than a year?"

Still Waiting. Tom, who had lent John \$5, one day asked, "John, ain't it time you paid me that \$5?"

Chained Books. The finest known collection of chained books is that in Hereford (England) cathedral.

The Wives of Women. There are two possible things that a woman can do if a man proposes to her, but there are more than 2,000,000 she can do if he doesn't.

Truth and honesty set a limit to our efforts which impudence and hypocrisy easily overleap.

Colors and Tints. Colors are mixed as follows to obtain tints:

Human Hair Traffic. The trade in human hair is a big industry. Italians easily take the lead in this traffic.

Conscience. Ever present and operant is that which never becomes a party in one's guilt, conceives never an evil thought, consents never to an unrighteous deed.

Why Naval Uniforms Are Blue. Naval uniforms all the world over pretty well are navy blue.

Fraternal Obligations. "We will now take up our annual collection for the benefit of the heathen," announced the Rev. Dr. Fourthly at the close of his sermon.

A Submarine View. "My," said the little mermaid, "what's the cause of all this commotion?"

A Sure Thing. She—Did father say anything about you being too young? He—Well, yes, but he said I'd age pretty rapidly after we were married and I found I had to pay your bills.

Cairo's Corkscrew Tower. Writing of the ancient mosque of Ibn-Tulun, Cairo, John A. Todd in "The Banks of the Nile" shows how accidental was the design of its odd-looking tower.

The Deceased Wife's Sister. The law against marrying a deceased wife's sister, which caused so much discussion in England at one time, grew out of an ancient tribal law forbidding a father to sell more than one daughter to the same man when the Briton was emerging from polygamy.

Tearing Cards. At the Hatterpole club in Paris not long ago a man achieved a record by tearing a pack of playing cards in one pull—time, 2 minutes 32 seconds.

A Nice Point. None of the maids of honor to the queen of England is allowed to keep a diary. A young lady who did not know of this rule was congratulating a newly made maid of honor.

A Bit of Sarcasm. "The late Dr. Morgan Dix," said a clergyman of New York, "had a droll way of lightning grave subjects with little humorous asides."

It Grew and Grew. "My pa caught a wonderful fish," said little Willie. "After it was dead it kept on growing."

An Intricate Story. "Before my marriage I told her all my past life. Don't you think I showed a wonderful courage?"

The Squeeze. Wife—I got into an awful jam at that bargain sale. Hobby—indeed! Wife—Yes; all the money I had was squeezed out of my purse.—Exchange.

He has hard work who has nothing to do.—Old Saying.