

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Sarah Cornelius of Patchogue, N. Y., is 100 years of age. Miss Marie Tompkins, a woman of unusual strength, is in charge of the Detective squad in a Philadelphia department store.

Town Topics.

What's the use of trying to uplift Pittsburgh? It cost a man \$25 to kiss the hand of a Pittsburgh belle.—Buffalo Express. Detroit is to have a new postoffice, and here's hoping it will be one that won't have to be enlarged the day it is completed.—Detroit Free Press.

Pert Personals.

Forty-five curtain calls for New York's popular tenor, Caruso—and how many more calls? Nat Goodwin says all his wives "have chosen him," but Nat should cheer up. The time may come when he'll go out of fashion.—Detroit Free Press.

Current Comment.

A poorly printed bogus ten dollar gold certificate is found to be a quarter of an inch short—also \$10.—New York Sun. With settlement workers debating the question of standardizing dance steps, the social uplift movement is clearly progressing at a one step pace.—New York World.

Industrial Items.

Belgium pensions miners at fifty-five who have worked forty years in the mines. Women mix mortar and carry the hod for building operations in Munich, Germany. Railway men in Germany may belong only to such societies as are approved by the management.

English Etchings.

London consumes ninety tons of salt a day. London has over 12,000 shops for the sale of milk. "Orchard" occurs forty times as a street name in the London postal area.

Train and Track.

Russia is soon to have four new railway lines. British Columbia laid 650 miles of new railway last year, not including double tracking. London has only one mile of tramway to every 3,000 of her population. Manchester has one to every 3,000.

Telephone Calls.

A telephone transmitter that works perfectly when completely submerged in water is a novelty. For use in noisy places where telephoning is difficult a new instrument has receivers for both ears to shut out outside sounds.

Money in a Melting Mood.

The Spanish owner of a Mexican ranch in the days of President Diaz conducted a soap factory, this being common among the big ranchers, who in this way used the waste product of the cattle and sheep business.

Mahogany Trees.

True mahogany is distinctly a native of tropical America, but occasionally small specimens have been found in southern Florida, and similar trees, never reaching the height of the American relative, have been found in India.

The Old Days at Harvard.

In his "Story of Harvard" Arthur Stanwood Pier quotes a curious anecdote by Professor Sidney Willard of the class of 1788. In spite of its age, the story has some very modern features.

Money Didn't.

A guest was expected for dinner, and Bobby had received 5 cents as the price of his silence during the meal.

No Use at All.

Would Be Tourist (entering book-shop)—I'm about to go to Bermuda. Have you a guidebook I can rely on? Bookseller—Certainly! Here's one just out. It's entitled "Four Weeks in Bermuda." And it's by Walter B. Hay.

My Luck.

If I had twenty thousand pounds and jewels by the score, And servants gay in great array, Street round about my door, If I had all I wished to drink And, say, three kegs beside, And lots of girls with golden curls, Became my joy and pride, If I'd a chateau on a hill, I'd bet my bottom dollar that I'd be a fool and wake.

What mother.

What mother, is meant by having a snap? "It is something, child, that no one really has but children. Their mothers take care of them, and their fathers pay the bills. They never have a snap again!"—Baltimore American.

Weight of Platinum.

Platinum is the only thing in the world that is heavier than gold. A cubic foot of this metal weighs 1,930 pounds. Next in weight come mercury, lead and silver in the order named.

Forces of a Hurricane.

A hurricane is a wind that blows at seventy-seven miles an hour or more. Such a wind exerts a pressure of nearly fifteen pounds to the square foot.

The Latest.

You may have tasted everything In every sort of way: You may have been in politics And held a boss sway. Or been a kind of high business With undisturbed power, The market's high and mighty come, The savior of the hour.

Insomnia Cure.

"Doctor," said he, "I'm a victim of insomnia. I can't sleep if there's the least noise, such as a cat on the back fence, for instance." "This powder will be effective," replied the physician after compounding a prescription.

Nature Studies.

The peacock has a beautiful tail, For which it may rejoice, But beautiful pale before the wall Of its soil destroying voice.

Nothing Much.

He had held forth for so long on the subject of his adventures that the entire smoking room was distinctly bored. Finally he reached India.

Gradually.

He thought he saw an elephant That practiced on a fife. He looked again and found it was A letter from his wife.

Gravely.

He thought he saw a pretty girl Who did not wear a dress. He looked again and saw that she Half hid her nakedness.

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Degrees of Finality.

When a girl says "No" She may kinder grow, But there's little hope When a girl says "Nope."

Old Habits.

"I think our new batter must have been a baseball umpire once." "Why so?" "He's dusting off the plate with a whisk broom."—Pittsburgh Post.

SIBS AND SONS.

Francisco Villa formerly was a Cuba busman ratcher. Thomas Riffer, sixty-seven, of St. Louis, has been married seventy-five years. Bishop C. E. Cheney, Baltimore, Episcopal, Chicago, is now seventy-eight and still active.

Pen, Chisel and Brush.

George Moore, the author, is now living quietly in London working on his reminiscences. Mary Cassatt, a Philadelphia painter of children and family life, has been awarded the gold medal of honor of the Academy of Fine Arts, the highest award within the gift of the academy and one of the most valued trophies in the American art world.

Filippant Fling.

A typewriter small enough to be put in an overcoat pocket. The cute little thing! Blond?—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Forest Notes.

Nearly 4,000 acres were reforested in Montana and northern Idaho during 1913 at an average cost of \$7.50 an acre.

Fashion Frills.

No doubt the worst feature of the prevailing feminine fashions is the fact that the men's fashions are imitating them.—Chicago News.

Powder and Ball.

We now perceive that a standing army is of use only when it moves.—New York Mail.

Three-Strikes.

In spite of the perils supposed to beset umpires, the same faces appear from season to season.—Washington Star.

His Own.

His Own—How well have you made out? "Not so good, as you see. I've had a hard time of it. I've had to work hard for it, but I've made out all right."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Little beam of moonshine.

Little beam of moonshine, Little beam and kisses, Make a little maiden Change her name to Mrs. —Tale Record.

The Dollar Mark.

"What is the curved line of beauty?" asked the boob. "The dollar mark," replied the Grouch.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Head of the Nations.

In his book "The Old Man in the Hat" John Winescott describes the ancient fatherly word by the beautiful Maltese woman—a black head draped over the head with a strip of white some and held in place by a black cord.

Green—What is the hardest work.

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The old oaken bucket.

The old oaken bucket that hung in the well Was full of germs stealthily, But we never knew it as matters befell, And so grew up healthy.

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