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### HOLIDAYS IN MEXICO.

They Are Numerous, but Are Not All Local Celebrations.

The visitor in Mexico is apt to be surprised at the number of holidays celebrated here and made the occasion of rejoicing, with accompanying music and decoration, and is likely to think that the Mexican does nothing but celebrate.

With his religious and national feast days, the Mexican does have many holidays of more or less general importance, and when he is not celebrating these he may be celebrating the day of his patron saint or of that of some member of his family, so that it seems to require little inducement for him to celebrate. If a member of the family goes out of town for a few days or weeks, his return is celebrated in some mild way and his welcome home made pleasant.

But not all of the celebrations which take place in the capital are Mexican, as the foreign colonies contribute their share of feast days. The Americans celebrate their day of independence on the glorious Fourth of July, and ten days later the French celebrate the fall of the Bastille, and so it goes, the British celebrating the birthday of their king, the Italians the entry into Rome of the troops of united Italy, the Germans the birthday of the kaiser, the Swedes the day of the formation of the confederation. The Spanish celebrate the birthday of their king, and in September their feast of Corvodonga is important enough to last three days. No doubt there are other celebrations not so public or prominent, such as the Chinese New Year and others, but the above goes to show that not all the feasting in the capital is done by natives. An interesting point, however, is that foreigners who come to Mexico are soon the keenest for the coming of the various holidays, and Mexican, religious or their own, are jealously demanded as leisure days from all houses of business or commerce.—Modern Mexico.

### How to Avoid Appendicitis.

Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. The Arant Drug Co.

### Scott's Narrow Escape.

The world had a narrow escape of never having known a Sir Walter Scott. When a tiny babe he was left in charge of a maid, but the girl's heart was in Edinburgh, whither she wanted to go to rejoin her lover. She was, however, compelled to stay and look after the infant at Sandy Knowe. The girl regarded her charge as an obstacle to be removed and afterward confessed that she carried young Scott up to the Craigs (under a strong temptation of the devil, as she expressed it), fully intending to cut his throat with her scissors and bury him under the moss.

### Historic Grape-vines.

The celebrated "king's vines" at Fontainebleau, planted under the reign of Henry IV., grow against a wall in the park not far from the castle, and the grapes are highly esteemed by gourmets. Since the republic was established the grapes have always been sold by auction, the proceeds going into the coffers of the minister of finance.

### THE BLAST FURNACE.

In Cleaning One It Is Necessary to Use Dynamite.

The function of a blast furnace is the reduction of ores to metallic iron. The iron ore, like stone and coke, is put in at the top and the iron and slag are drawn off at the base. The temperature of the interior of a blast furnace when in operation varies according to circumstances, but the molten iron when drawn off is about 1,500 degrees F., indicating a much higher temperature inside.

To withstand such terrific heat, which is maintained by a powerful blast of air which acts much in the same manner as a forced draft on a boiler, the furnace is lined on the inside with a fine grade of fire brick, thoroughly burned. This wall of non-combustible material is about four feet thick, outside of which is the steel jacket of the furnace, about one-quarter of an inch thick.

The lining of a furnace will last from two to six years, according to the nature of the material smelted, the furnace being in continuous operation during that time. It takes about six weeks to reline a furnace.

After a furnace is "blown out" or ceases to be used, there is a quantity of iron which cools and solidifies at the base of the furnace. This is called salamander, and it is necessary to use dynamite to loosen this material and get it out of the furnace so that repairs can be consummated. Salamander has a ready sale, as it is a fine grade of pig iron.

As a rule, when trade conditions are good a blast furnace is never allowed to cool down or be taken out of blast except at intervals of several years for relining.—Baltimore Sun.

### How to Cure Chills.

"To enjoy freedom from chills," writes John Kemp, Past, Outisfield, Me., "I apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Have also used it for salt rheum with excellent results." Guaranteed cure for fever sores, indolent ulcers, piles, burns, wounds, frost bites and skin diseases. 25c at The Arant Drug Co.

### "Sing a Song of Sixpence."

The old nursery rhyme of "Sing a Song of Sixpence" is an ancient allegory and a very pretty one. The earth is represented by the bottom of the pie, while the sky is the upper crust. The clouds are the clothes which the maid—who is daybreak—is hanging on the line before the king or sun is up. The money which the "king counts in his counting house" are the sunbeams which slip through the sun's fingers. The blackbird, which nips off the maid's nose so unceremoniously and thus ends the song, is the sunset or end of day. The moon and moonbeams are represented by the queen and her honor, and thus we have the whole day amply accounted for.

### The Fee Simple.

Patrick Murphy, while passing down Tremont street, was hit on the head by a brick which fell from a building in process of construction. One of the first things he did after being taken home and put to bed was to send for a lawyer. A few days later he received word to call, as his lawyer had settled the case. He called and received five crisp new \$100 bills. "How much did you get?" he asked. "Two thousand dollars," answered the lawyer. "Two thousand, and you give me \$300?" Say, who got hit by that brick, you or me?"—Boston Herald.

### An Abrupt Finale.

Joaquin Miller had just won recognition as the poet of the Sierras and was working on a paper in Oregon. He had been contributing verses and short stories and had just begun a tale about the soldiers on the frontier who suffered with scurvy. The editor wanted the scurry story for the morning publication, but Joaquin Miller could not concentrate upon his work. His mind leaped to the anticipated joy of a great social function occurring that evening, for at this time he was a social lion. However, he had proceeded in his story up to the point of the conditional cure for the disease where all the soldiers suffering with scurvy had been buried, with only their heads exposed to view. The editor was yelling "Copy!" The poet's mind refused to work. He could not finish the tale, leaving his soldiers in such a plight. Suddenly an inspiration came to him. He grabbed his pencil and wrote rapidly the following words:

"And a she wolf came along and ate off all their heads." Then he made a bee line for the door and was not seen again until the next day. His story was not published.

### A Cause of Divorce.

"What is the most frequent cause of divorce?" the lawyer was asked. "It is nearly incredible," he said, "but a thing that causes divorce oftener than you'd imagine is married people's quarreling over their right to open one another's letters. The husband will claim that he is entitled to open the wife's mail. The wife will claim that she is entitled to open the husband's. In the letters of neither will there be anything of a private or compromising nature, but nevertheless they both want to get their mail inviolate—it enrages them to have it opened and read. Quarrels over this letter opening question vex, I suppose, 90 per cent of married couples. Of this 90 per cent a distressingly large proportion go on from bad to worse till they wind up in the divorce court. So, young man, when you come to marry, leave your wife's mail alone, no matter how she may pry into yours."—New York Press.

### Quick Wit Saved His Life.

"The strangest and most thrilling piece of swordsmanship I ever saw" said the fencing master, "was in Vermont. I was spending the autumn in a mountainous part of the state, and there was a military encampment near my hotel. One morning an officer's horse started to bolt with the man during parade and made at breakneck speed toward a precipice. The officer tried to stop the horse, tried to turn his head—no use. On dashed the frantic animal straight for the abyss. We all held our breaths. In another instant we expected to see horse and rider go over the cliff. But the officer when within fifty feet of the edge drew his sword and plunged it twice deep into the horse. The horse staggered, slowed, keeled over, dying. The man had sacrificed the animal's life to save his own."

### Her Stolen Jewels.

"Yes, Mrs. Swellman has been robbed of her jewels, and Mrs. Sneeker is the guilty party." "What? You don't mean to say she stole?" "What else can you call it? She offered the cook \$6 and the maid \$5 a week, and now she's got them."—Exchange.

### A Famous Bell.

The emperor's great bell in the Cathedral of Cologne was consecrated with great pomp. Twenty-two cannon taken from the French were assigned by the Emperor William for its manufacture. It was cast by Andreas Hamm of Frankenthal, and more than \$20,000 was paid for the casting.

It bears an inscription recording that "William, the most august emperor of the Germans and king of the Prussians, mindful of the heavenly help granted to him whereby he conducted the late French war to a prosperous issue and restored the German empire, caused cannon taken from the French to be devoted to founding a bell to be hung in the wonderful cathedral then approaching completion." A likeness of St. Peter, the name patron of the church, is on the side, beneath which is a quatrain in the style of the mediæval conceits, praying that as devout hearts rise heavenward at hearing the sound of the bell wide the gates of the celestial mansion. On the opposite side is inscribed a sextet in German.

### A Foxy Tenant.

At one time there lived in Worcester, Mass., an old negro who had a tremendous influence, religious and political, in the settlement where he lived. He occupied a little house owned by a prominent banker, but had successfully evaded the payment of rent for many years. No trouble came, however, until the banker was nominated to run for a political office. The next day the old negro came hobbling into his office.

"Well, Sam," said the banker, "I suppose you've come in to pay me some rent."

"Oh, no, boss," replied the old man. "It's just come in to say I'm glad you're nominated and will tell de res' of dese 'nount niggers to vote fo' yo' and to mention to yo' at de same time dat de roof of my house is a-leakin', an' if 'tain't fixed I'll have to move out direct'ly."—Lippincott's.

### Where New England Is Pre-eminent.

From the standpoint of mental ethnology New England is as different from the rest of the United States as Brittany or Provence from the rest of France, Piedmont from the rest of Italy, Bavaria from the rest of Germany. Those features the existence of which can be scientifically proved and the extent of which can be readily measured are a high birth rate of genius, a passion for reading, a high divorce rate, a low natality, a high death rate from diseases of the nervous system. The correlation between some of these traits is obvious. Between others it is obscure. But we must remember that mental ethnology is a science born yesterday. Today it gathers facts. Tomorrow it will compare these and from them derive laws.—Gustave Michaud in Putnam's Month-ly.

### Only Resting.

Allensandro is an adorable infant—to his parents. One day his mother, to punish him, deprived him of his fruit at dinner. He yelled at the top of his voice for two hours and then stopped. "Well," said his mother, "are you going to be good? Have you finished crying?" "No," replied the boy; "I have not finished. I'm only resting."—Il Motto per Ridere.

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