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IGNORANT OF GEOGRAPHY.

How a German Put Posers to an American Girl.

"A thing about Americans which has surprised me more than anything else," said a German artist who has been visiting in New York city for six months past, "is that with all your patriotism you know so little about the geography of your own country, to say nothing of the rest of the world."

There were several Americans in the circle, and they looked rather surprised. None of the men spoke. They knew that they were weak in geography and that here was a challenge which would have to pass.

Not so a bright young woman of twenty, who rushed into the breach with her head in the air.

"We do know the geography of our country," she said decidedly. "Of course we do. Every child learns it in school."

"Might I ask you a question or two?" the foreigner said quietly. "The names of the capitals of some of your states, for instance?"

"Certainly, I'll be glad to answer." And she nodded confidently at the young American man who was already beginning to fear for her.

"What is the capital of Massachusetts?" was his first question.

"Boston!" was the prompt answer from the girl.

"And of North Carolina?" That seemed to puzzle her a little, and it was a full minute before she answered "Charlotte!"

The foreigner smiled, but made no effort to correct her. "What is the highest mountain in the United States?" he asked.

"It's not fair to ask about mountains," she protested. "You said I didn't know the capitals."

"The capital of Illinois is?"

"Chicago," she said. "You got one right out of four. As I said, American geography surprises me."—New York Tribune.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

It is safer to prune too little than too much.

Moist earth and a cloudy day for transplanting.

Coseberries and currants are two

easily grown fruits, and there is seldom an oversupply.

The quality and size of fruit on old bushes is much improved by thinning of the fruit or severe pruning. The cause of moss appearing on the stems of apple and other fruit trees is wet, cold, undrained land or an excessively humid climate.

In saving garden seed gather when ripe. Do not allow it to shell off. The first matured is the best, and the first matured will shell first.

A good mulch around fruit trees helps to keep down weeds, keeps the soil loose, moist and porous at all times, with little labor of cultivation. The time of setting out of fruit trees is of far less importance than to see that the right varieties are selected, the soil prepared and transplanting well done.

Candles.

"I thought candles went with stage-coaches, but a good many people must use them yet," said a shopper who pointed to a collection of candlesticks, all of the utility sort, arrayed in a house furnishing department. There were big and little, ornamental and plain, practical and unpractical ones. Some had broad trays, and others had none at all, and some had devices for lifting the candle, while others were made with deep necks. There still remain people who cling to the traditions of their ancestors and will have none of the modern lighting inventions for their sleeping rooms. Certain women prefer a light in their bedrooms until they are asleep, and for this purpose a candle is just the thing, for it will put itself out at the time proportioned by its length.—New York Tribune.

Saw No Reason For Swearing.

General Grant was asked why he never swore. He replied: "Well, when a boy I had an aversion to swearing. It seemed useless, an unnecessary habit, and besides I saw that swearing usually aroused a man's anger. I early had a desire to have complete command of myself. I noticed when a man got angry his opponent always got the better of him. On that account also I determined to refrain from swearing. Then the swearing men of my acquaintance when a boy were not the best men I knew. I never saw any reasons for swearing. All were against it."

Edward I. was 6 feet 2 inches high, and it is said that the tips of his middle fingers extended below his knees.

WONDERFUL BROECK

THE ORIGINAL SPOTLESS TOWN IS IN NORTHERN HOLLAND.

A Neatness and a Brilliance That Are Absolutely Painful Permeate the Whole Place—Rules Which the Inhabitants Must Observe.

Far up in northern Holland among the dikes and canals of the little kingdom lies Broeck, the original Spotless Town. The palings of the fences of Broeck are sky blue. The streets are paved with shining bricks of many colors. The houses are rose colored, black, gray, purple, light blue or pale green. The doors are painted and gilded. For hours you may not see a soul in the streets or at the windows. The streets and houses, bridges, windows and barns show a neatness and a brilliance that are absolutely painful. At every step a new effect is disclosed, a new scene is beheld, as if painted upon the drop curtain of a stage. Everything is minute, compact, painted, spotless and clean. In the houses of Broeck for cleaning purposes you will find big brooms, little brooms, tooth-brushes, aqua fortis, whitening for the window panes, rouge for the forks and spoons, coal dust for the copper, emery for the iron utensils, brick powder for the floors and even small splinters of wood with which to pick out the tiny bits of straw in the cracks between the bricks. Here are some of the rules of this wonderful town:

Citizens must leave their shoes at the door when entering a house. Before or after sunset no one is allowed to smoke excepting with a pipe having a cover, so that the ashes will not be scattered upon the street. Any one crossing the village on horseback must get out of the saddle and lead the horse.

A cuspidor shall be kept by the front door of each house, where it may be accessible from the window. It is forbidden to cross the village in a carriage or to drive animals through the streets.

In addition to these established rules it is the custom for every citizen who sees a leaf or a bit of straw blown before his house by the wind to pick it up and throw it into the canal. The people go 500 paces out of the village to dust their shoes. Dozens of boys are paid to blow the dust from between the bricks in the streets four times an hour. In certain houses the guests are carried over the threshold so as not to soil the pavements. At one time the mania for cleaning in Broeck reached such a point that the housewives of the village neglected even their religious duties for scrubbing and washing. The village pastor, after trying every sort of persuasion, preached a long sermon, in which he declared that every Dutchman who had faithfully fulfilled his duties toward God in this world would find in the next a house packed full of furniture and stored with the most various and precious articles of use and ornament, which, not being distracted by other occupations, she would be able to brush, wash and polish for all eternity. The promise of this sublime recompense and the thought of this extreme happiness filled the women with such fervor and piety that for months thereafter the pastor had no cause for complaint.

Around every house in Broeck are buckets, benches, rakes, boxes and staves, all colored red, blue, white or yellow. The brilliancy and variety of colors and the cleanliness, brightness and miniature pomp of the place are wonderful. At the windows there are embroidered curtains, with rose colored ribbons. The blades, bands and nails of the gayly painted windmills shine like silver. The houses are brightly varnished and surrounded with red and white railings and fences. The panes of glass in the windows are bordered by many lines of different hues. The trunks of all the trees are painted gray from root to branch. Across the streams are many little wooden bridges, each painted as white as snow. The gutters are ornamented with a sort of wooden festoon, perforated like lace. The pointed facades are surmounted with a small weathercock, a little lance or something resembling a bunch of flowers. Nearly every house has two doors, one in front and one behind, the last for everyday entrance and exit and the former opened only on great occasions, such as births, deaths and marriages. The gardens are as peculiar as the houses. The paths are hardly wide enough to walk in. One could put his arm around the flowerbeds. The dainty arbors would barely hold two persons sitting close together. The little myrtle hedges would scarcely reach to the knees of a four-year-old child. Between the arbors and the flower beds run little canals which seem made to float paper boats. They are crossed by miniature wooden bridges, with colored pillars and parapets. There are ponds the size of a bath, which are almost concealed by lilliputian boats tied with red cords to blue stakes, tiny staircases and miniature kitchen gardens. Everything could be measured with the hand, crossed at a leap, demolished by a blow. Moreover, there are trees cut in the shape of fans, plumes and disks, with their trunks colored white and blue. At every step one discovers a new effect, a fresh combination of hues, a novel caprice, some new absurdity. The rooms are very tiny and resemble so many bazaars. There are porcelain figures on the cupboard, Chinese cups and sugar bowls on and under the tables, plates fastened on the walls, clocks, ostrich eggs, shells, vases, plates, glasses, placed in every corner and concealed in every nook, cupboards full of hundreds of trifles and ornaments without name, a crowding disorder and utter confusion of colors.—Public Opinion.

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THE NEW ARITHMETIC.

M. Quad's Latest Problematic Brain Twisters. If molasses costs 44 cents per gallon and James drinks three pints of it while returning from the grocery, how much is there left and what is the value of what he drank? Henry had seven pet rabbits worth 80 cents each until John's yellow dog was turned into the shed with them over night. How much more did Henry lose than John? There are 250 bumblebees in a nest and five boys set out to break it up. How many bees are there to a boy? If five boys tumble over four fences six feet high to get away, what is the total height? It takes a hog five seconds to get through a hole in the fence into a garden and fifty minutes to find the same hole when a farmer drives him out. What is the difference in time in favor of the hog? An ice man has twenty daily customers to be served with twenty-five pounds of ice each. Every day he manages to have 100 pounds left after going his rounds. How many pounds would he have left per week. With ice at 40 cents per hundred what would his extra profits be? A boy with four teeth to be pulled yells seven times for every tooth taken out. How many yells in all? He teases forty boys during the day and brags to each one that it never hurt a bit. How many more boys than teeth? A tramp is crossing a field at the rate of twenty miles an hour, and a farmer's bull is after him at the rate of thirty. The distance to the nearest fence is one-fourth of a mile. At what point will the tramp be overtaken if he doesn't grow wings and take to the air? M. QUAD.

Better Work Late. A very homely man in Chicago has a very pretty daughter. One day she was sitting on his knee right before a looking glass. She contemplated the reflection of their two faces and then asked, "Papa, did God make me?" "Yes, dear," he replied. "And did he make you?" "Yes," looking again in the mirror, she drew a long breath and rejoined, "He must be turning out better work lately, isn't he?"—Metaphysical Magazine.

To Improve the Horse. If some owners of horses would spend more for feed and less for whips, they would have more spirited animals.—Atherton Globe.

Home-Life in England and America. The decay of the home life is to be attributed partially to the influence on society of the invasion of Americans. In the United States home life is almost unknown. The meaning of the word "house" as understood to Brit-lishers is a mystery to Yankees. To a certain extent we have always envied you your home life, and I certainly agree with some of your correspondents that it would be disastrous for your country to lose the elevating and refining influences of the home.—Anglo-American and London Mail.

Unanswered. "Say, pop, may I ask you a question?" "Yes, Teddy. What's it?" "When a man's finished milkin' a cow, how does he turn off the milk?"—New York Times. Stupidity Personified. "I should say so! Last night I turned the gas down and he asked if it was time for him to go home."—Detroit Free Press.

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