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Criticism.

In connection with the coming of age of the eldest son of a well-to-do Yorkshire farmer a good story is told.

A young fellow had volunteered to entertain the company by reciting "The Bridge of Sighs." Having done so, he sat down by the side of his host, and remarked."

"I'm utterly unnerved, sir. You wouldnt believe how that reeital affects me."

"Oh, I understand," was the blunt response. "Recitin' like that affects everybody. It do me!"

"You do not recite yourself, I suppose?" asked the performer.

"What! me recite?" gasped the farmer. "Not if I know it! Why, man, it gives me the fair shivers to hear you try."

The young fellow has not yet decided whether to take this as a compliment or the reverse.—Spare Moments.

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Cape Town, Africa, has among other novelties a prison containing about 1,000 prisoners, where almost every nation of the earth is represented. There are American miners and sons of the English aristocracy, French, Italians, Russians and Hebrews. A great many of the prisoners are serving political sentences. Most of these prisoners are employed in building forts and fortifications. The hillside overlooking the city of Cape Town is a veritable Gibraltar. Tier upon tier of modern guns have been placed here by the government, and the work has nearly all been done by the convicts. The convicts who are not employed on public works are hired out to farmers. Farmers of South Africa much prefer convict labor to that of the natives, because the convicts do not have an opportunity to become intoxicated. Beside being provided with food and fuel, each convict is paid for at the rate of 36 to 60 cents a day. The government furnishes guards to prevent criminals from escaping from their employers. All prisoners are divided into three classes, according to the length of their terms and their behavior. Those known as the first class are distinguished by a black band around their hats. When they first enter the prison they are thus marked and remain so for three months. If they behave they are then put into the probation class and marked with a yellow ribbon. Here they remain for eight months. If they continue to behave well they are transferred to the good-conduct class and marked with a red band. In this class they remain until their sentence has expired. There are no paroles. The classes are not permitted to mix, but each class has an opportunity after working hours for social intercourse among its own members. All prisoners are housed in wards, none being confined in cells. Prisoners are kindly treated as long as they behave themselves. Dungeons are never used as punitive agencies, and only now and then is solitary confinement resorted to. Caning and flogging are sometimes found necessary, but no prison official is allowed to inflict either of these. They must be imposed by a magistrate, who visits the prison once a week. Among the prisoners in Cape Town jail who have attracted special attention recently was a young native, educated at Oxford, who headed his father's tribe against an insurrection against the British authority. He was captured and sentenced to fifteen years in this prison. At the end of five years he was liberated and immediately returned to his tribe. Another prisoner went to Cape Town as a missionary and secretary of the Young Men's Christian association, which annually handled immense sums of money. He became secretary of the Cape Town Building and Loan association and manipulated the books so that he was enabled to steal $183,000 before being caught. He is now doing seven years in this prison.

FASHION IN GAMBLING.

Roulette Is Now the Fashionable Game of Sportive New Yorkers.

"There is a fashion in gambling as in everything else," said C. K. Bundy of New York, "and just now the sporting rage in Gotham is all in the direction of roulette. One hears a lot of poker yarns, but they are mostly hoary with antiquity, for the big games of squeeze played nowadays are like visits of angels. I was talking to the proprietor of a swell gambling house in the heart of New York city the other day, and he confirmed what I have said as to the popularity of roulette. He has in his place faro, baccarat, and the wheel, a conclusive showing that bank and baccarat had both been superseded by the seductive game of roulette. As to poker, he doesn't countenance it in his establishment, for the reason that it is a tedious way for the house to make money, however large the rake-off, as compared with any of the other games. He told me that it was a common thing for men to come into his place and bet him $500 to $1,500 on a single turn of the wheel, and I know he was telling the truth, for many of his patrons are known to me and they are among the high rollers of the city who look on betting $500 about as the average piker regards the risking of a $2 note. These plungers like roulette for two reasons—they get quick action for their money and they are satisfied that the game is absolutely square. In the first place, though the percentage in favor of the proprietor is not large, being only 5 5-19 in 100, it will beat the player in the long run, and therefore there is no reason to operate a dishonest machine. Secondly, the wheel is constructed so that the lifting of its top displays the interior and the presence of wires would be readily detected. Without wires there is no chance for fraud. The bigger the bets the better for the house, although there are times when the plunger will make the professional sick. There has been so much crooked work done in baccarat and faro that both have steadily lost in popularity. Of course there are fiends at both who will take chances on being robbed, though I do not mean to imply that all bank games are of the skin variety. Today in New York a citizen with sporting blood in his veins can get all the amusements he wants at swell establishments, where entertainment as luxurious as any Delmonico can furnish is provided gratis for those who feel disposed to try the fickle goddess of fortune."—Washington Post.

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Not With the Hounds.

The bishop was one day remonstrating with one of his clergy for fox hunting.

"My lord," was the clergyman's answer, "every man must have some relaxation. I assure you I never go to balls."

"Oh," said the bishop, "I perceive you allude to my having been to the Duchess of S.'s party, but I give you my word I never was in the same room as the dancers."

"My lord," responded the clergyman, "my horse and I are getting old, and we are never in the same field as the hounds."—Answers.

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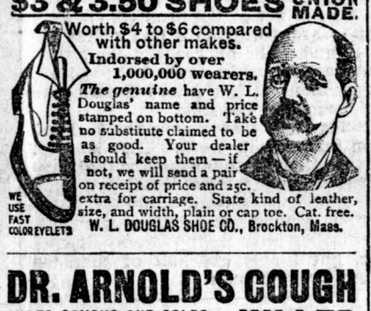

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"You may have noticed that the Japanese who visit America are very moderate smokers," said a prominent Japanese now traveling in the United States to a Washington Star reporter, recently. "Those of my countrymen who do indulge in the weed mostly smoke cigarettes, or, preferably, the smallest pipes filled with the mildest tobacco obtainable. Of course, there are Japanese who, like some Americans, have such a craving for tobacco that nothing less than the strongest cigar or the largest pipe will satisfy them. But such smokers are exceptionally few among the Japanese. As a rule, my countrymen, while at home and abroad, are satisfied with short smokes, such as a cigarette or a tiny pipe affords.

"The Japanese are moderate smokers, not so much because they are small people, but for the reason that, up to recent years but very little tobacco came into Japan and the tariff on it was very high. Being a poor but frugal race, the masses purchased only limited quantities of the weed, which, as a matter of economy, they have for generations been taught to smoke in only the tiniest of pipes. These pipes, the most popular of which hold about as much tobacco as would fill an ordinary thimble, are a survival of the days when money was scarce, tobacco dear and the tariff high. In another generation or two, when Japan shall have taken her place among the wealthy nations of the world, my countrymen will, no doubt, smoke large quantities of tobacco, and then the small pipes will be abandoned for big ones, such as Englishmen and Americans now smoke."—Washington Star.

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