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THROWING AN OLD SHOE.

This Curious Wedding Custom Is of French Origin.

The origin of the curious custom of throwing an old shoe after a newly married pair for luck has been traced back to a French peasant origin by a young man interested in folklore and quaint customs. In southern France, after the wedding ceremony, the girl is escorted to her new home by her girl friends and left alone. The young husband, also in the hands of his friends, is next led to a point a couple of hundred yards away from the dwelling, where a halt is made. Then the girl's rejected suitor, if there be such a one, arms himself with an old sabot, or wooden shoe, while the bridegroom, ducking his head, makes a dash for the house. The disgruntled suitor throws as hard and as true as possible, and the crowd cheers or derides, according to the success of the shot. A wooden shoe is a formidable missile in the hands of an angry swain, and the bridegroom is justified in having some misgivings as he sees his defeated rival practicing in anticipation of the wedding day. Just think, says the searcher into folklore, how great a relief it would be, even in this country, to take a crack at the fellow who had done you out of your best girl without having the police step in! Over in France the custom has a wider meaning. It signifies that the last ill feeling is thus thrown away, and it is the depth of disgrace for the man who has thrown the shoe to harbor any further malice against the young couple.

A Trying Moment.

She was a nice little cousin from the country, and she had come to a city luncheon given by some swell friends, says a New York paper. She was having a beautiful time and chatting away merrily when the salad course came on, and the butler passed a small cream cheese. It was on a doily placed on a flat plate, and a silver knife lay by it.

The country cousin was busy talking, and without an instant's hesitation she took the plate, cheese and all, and set it down by her own salad plate. The butler gave a decorously repressed start of horror, the other guests began to talk very fast and the little cousin, suddenly appreciating what she had done, turned scarlet and sat and gazed at that cheese in dumb agony and wished she could die then and there.

But the hostess, who sat by her, said, gently putting the action to the word:

"Do let me cut you a piece of the cheese."

And then the plate was passed on, and everybody began to breathe once more. But the cousin didn't speak again for ten minutes.

A Heaven on Earth.

The ancient mogul buildings in the palace of the kings of Delhi are marvels of beauty. Two of these—the Diwan-i-am, or hall of public audience, and the Diwan-i-khas, or hall of private audience—were built by the Emperor Shah Jahan about two and a half centuries ago, when the mogul style of architecture had reached its most decorative period. The smaller of the two, the Diwan-i-khas, is famous for its jewel-like finish, and it is round the walls of this apartment that the Persian inscription runs, "If there is a heaven on earth, it is this." The larger hall contains the great mogul throne. Both buildings are of marble inlaid with designs in precious stones.

A Turtle Race.

"One of the most curious races I ever saw," writes a correspondent of the London Tatler, "was on Mr. Carl Hagenbeck's lawn at Hamburg. Some seven children mounted on the backs of large turtles or tortoises raced across the lawn. To give impetus to their queer steeds most of them armed themselves with cabbages, which they tied to the end of sticks, ever and anon dangling them as tempting morsels in front of the turtles. It was a strange race and occupied some time. Every now and then a turtle would grasp a piece of cabbage and then quietly eat it before resuming its journey."

Flowers on the Stage.

No actor who is imbued with the superstitions of his profession will give yellow roses to a friend, nor will he accept them himself, as he fancies the flowers are harbingers of misfortune, jealousy and loss of friendship. Some managers will allow no natural flowers whatever to be used by way of "properties" upon the stage, but that is carrying the matter further than is usually considered essential.

Uncomfortable Position.

Finnicus—I wonder why it is that those who attain the pinnacle of success never seem to be happy.

Cynnicus—Because the pinnacle of success is like the top of a particularly tall lightning rod with a particularly sharp point, and those who succeed in perching temporarily upon it usually find that they are targets for all the world's lightning.—Town and Country.

The Boast of an Expert.

"This, ladies and gentlemen, is the celebrated trick mule, Dot," said the clown as the animal was led into the ring. "After many years of effort I am able to say I can make him do anything he wants to."

The Auctioneer.

Said a conscientious auctioneer: "Ladies and gentlemen, there is no sham about these carpets. They are genuine tapestry carpets. I bought them from old Tapestry himself."

Easy In Combination.

"Dey tells me," said Uncle Eben, "dat contentment is better dan riches, but I'm inclined to think dat if I could have both dem facilities I would hab a lot of 'em at once."—Washington Star.

A Special Message to the

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The scarcity and high price of labor forces the farmer to look around for labor saving and up-to-date tools and machinery, he realizes, that in order to make his farm profit producing, he must get profit producing machinery. We were reasoning like this practical farmer when we went east to the manufacturing centers to buy our spring stock for the season of 1903. That we were fairly successful the following popular lines will testify:

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