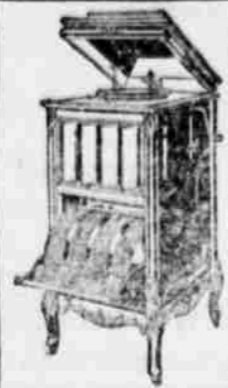


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Lloyd's Column

This Mark Twain story might have happened. It dates back to the period when Mark was living in Hartford, on the next block from Harriett Beecher Stowe and her husband, Professor Stowe. One cold and blustery winter morning, after an unusually heavy snowstorm, a neighbor, meeting Mark on the street, slowly plowing his way thru the drifts, with a corncob pipe in his mouth and a snowshovel over his shoulder, asked him where he was bound. "Oh, just around the block—an errand of mercy," drawled Mark, removing the pipe from between his teeth and pointing over his shoulder with the stem of it. "Mrs. Stowe has just telephoned me that Professor Stowe is under the weather this morning, and I'm on my way round there to shovel him out."

The conductor of the London motor bus now and again seizes a great occasion. It was a dark night, and a lady, laden with many parcels, boarded the bus. She was carrying an electric torch, and, not being used to the instrument, found difficulty in extinguishing it. Again and again she tried, meanwhile sending dazzling flashes in all directions, now on to some fellow travelers and anon thru the windows or the open door. At last the conductor could stand it no longer. "For heavens sake, turn it off," he exclaimed, "put it away, or we'll be arrested. Copper'll take us for a 'Un tank'."

Rustus Johnson became converted a camp-meeting. A few weeks later he met one of the exhorters and said: "Yo' doan' want me to 'sociate wid wicked men no mo', does yo', Mistah Meekly. 'No indeed.' 'Well, s'pose if one nigger kiek anudder on de shins, which it hurts he wurs, ain't it wicked fo' him to kiek back?' 'Certainly, certainly,'" was the puzzled reply. "Den ah ain't gwine 'sociate wid dat Sam Brown no mo'. He's too wicked. Ah los' ma tempah dis mawnin' tryin' to 'duce him to jine de church. In mah excitement ah kieked dat nighan on de shins, an' he up an' 'kicked me back ag'in."

Duncan McPherson was sent to an outpost to observe any move of the enemy. With rifle and a few bombs he took his lonely stand. Suddenly he observed in the darkness the approach of an enemy scouting party. He opened fire. The enemy charged. Emptying his rifle, he flung a few bombs and the while maintained a frightful yelling—defiance, threats, commands. Believing themselves facing a substantial entrenched force the attackers retreated, leaving eleven dead on the field. Macpherson came off with a slight flesh wound, and was awarded a medal for bravery. The commanding officer wound up his brief address with: "And a good day's work it was sir." "Tut, said the gallant and simple soldier, quite forgetting that he was on parade, and perhaps a little piqued at his performance being spoken of as a day's work: 'tut, it didn't tak' no twenty meenites.'"—San Francisco Argonaut.

We'd Like to Cut a Few Just a little piece of metal With an eagle on one side, And a woman on the other, Is the coin for which we've tried To make a new way paper For the people of the land And we'd like that half and dollar But some folks have got it canned.

There's a fellow round the corner And some others out the way, Who are always tellin' us 'uns That they're sure goin' to pay When they sell their wheat or taters But it surely beats the band, They entirely forget us 'Til they git their money canned.

Or else the market busted, And they didn't sell the stuff Or when they saw the boodle They thought there weren't enough To satisfy their longings For cash and gowaws grand And we didn't get the half and dollar —Or perhaps they have it canned

So the editor still subsists On the cheapest grub on sale And hopes and prays for money And watches every mail— Thinkin' some day, somewhere, Will open up his hand And send us that half and dollar Before he gets it canned.

Promises are nice to get And we have a good supply And we're still a livin' on 'em, But no matter how we try The promise soup is purty thin And don't fill our belly-bands So kindly come across once more Before you get your dollar canned.

Waiter: "Here is the bill of fare." Old Times: "No, thank ye. I don't keener to read until I've had somethin' to eat."

Clara (exhibiting photograph): "How do you like it?" Hattie: "It is perfectly lovely." "You think it is a good likeness?" "O, no, it doesn't look a particle like you, you know; but I would not mind that, Clara; you are not likely to have such luck again if you sat a thousand times."

"Excuse me," he said as he bit off the end of a cigar and held out his hand to secure a light from the other, who was smoking. "I said excuse me." "Oh, certainly. Always willing to excuse."

The Worth of a Steamer An American steamer, purchased by a San Francisco firm some two years ago for \$300,000, has just been sold for \$1,500,000. Recently she

was chartered for a year to operate between the Atlantic and South Pacific at \$105,000 a month.

Flying Predictions
In 1273 Friar Bufo predicted that flying would "shortly" become a general practice, and Bishop Wilkins in 1652 said, "It will yet be as usual to hear a man call for his wings when he is going on a journey as it is now to hear him call for his boots."

Rhymes Without Reason
There was a young lady named Mary, Whose moods with each hour would vary.
When asked why so cross, She said with a toas: "Men notice a girl that's contrary."

"Deaf—dumb—blime," read Mr. Squeera. "Here my good man, take this quarter."
Beggar: "You he! Dat's a nickle you tief."

"Darling," she said, weeping "when we were married five years ago, I never expected to see you coming home at 1 o'clock in the morning."
"Well, you wouldn't now, m' dear," he replied, "if you'd only go to sleep earlier."

Pellets of Philosophy
Not all bald men are deep thinkers. To stop over with praise is to prove yourself insincere. One mark of being a good citizen is sharing your auto with the neighbors.

Those high-topped shoes for women cover a multitude of sins as well as shins. An careful gossip won't harm anybody as long as you don't spill it out of your mouth. Do somebody kindness every day. Your sinning heart will pay the bill. Everybody will be interested in you, if you are interested in everybody.

Business of body doesn't necessarily mean business of character. Men don't be afraid of vampires. They're harmless unless you are willing to be lured. Clean thoughts make clean lives. If you want to be called a crank disagree with everybody.

GRAY HAIR BECOMES DARK AND BEAUTIFUL

Try Grandmother's Old Favorite Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays we simply ask at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You will get a large bottle of this old time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients for about 20 cents. Everybody uses this preparation now, because no one can possibly tell that you deckened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy and you look years younger. Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is a delightful toilet requisite. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

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Central Nebraska Farmer Spreads it on Thicket in Writing to New England Friend

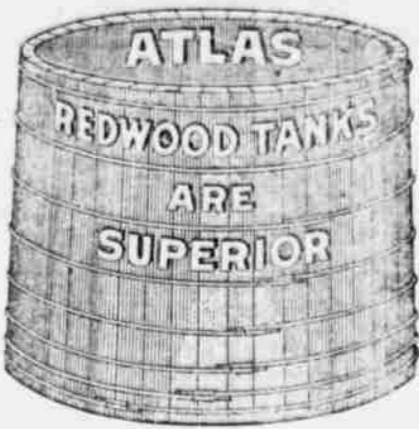
The Beaver City Times-Tribune tells of a central Nebraska farmer who still clings to the rock ribbed hills of New England and told him of the wonderful fertility of Nebraska. He said, among other things: "We have a dirt floor in the barn, and we have to mow it every morning to find the horses so we can curry them. Talk about Jack and his wonderful beanstalk—I hung my hat on a cornstalk a few minutes while I rested in the shade, and when I woke up I had to go to the house and get an ax to cut the stalk down. It had grown so fast that I couldn't reach my hat."

When the stalk fell it made such a dent in the ground I had to bridge it over to get to the other side of the field. A neighbor family had twins babies and had provided only one small cradle. The babies had to take turn about sleeping on the floor, and care must be exercised in keeping up the rotation regularly. If one baby should sleep on the floor close to the soil more than the other one it would grow twice as fat. When we stand still we must take care to keep both feet on the ground. If we didn't the one on the ground would grow so much faster it would bother us in walking. One railroad was enabled to declare extra dividends last year on the saving made in railroad spikes. It sowed shingle nails along the right of way in the fall and they grew into spikes in time for the spring track repairing. I'd give anything if we could grow pumpkins on our farm but we can't. The vines grow so fast they wear the pumpkins out dragging them over the ground. Early in June I cut ninety tons of alfalfa from my twenty acre patch and then turned in a drove of hogs. When I got ready to market the hogs I had to get the neighbors to help me find them—the alfalfa had grown so fast it hid the hogs completely. They'd gained 150 pounds each without an ear of corn and I got \$7.60 for them in South Omaha. Cut my wheat last week. Had sixty acres and the yield was so heavy I had to rent twelve acres extra from a neighbor in order

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to have space on which to sack the straw. We are awfully busy out here and have to conserve our energy. One of our neighbors had crossed lightning bugs with bees and now he has honey in the making twenty-four hours in the day. We got so much butter fat at the collecting that we've found it necessary to cross the milk-wood and strawberry vine in order to have strawberries and cream on our table. I was shelling old corn last week and the engine broke down. I was in a hurry to get the job done and while the man was out putting a new water gauge on the traction I jacked up the rear truck of my automobile, threw the belt over one wheel and shelled 1,700 bushels of corn. Wife swines the baby in a hammock swung between a couple of young trees in the back yard. We have to equip the hammock with a rope and a tackle because the trees and the baby grow so fast. If we didn't we wouldn't reach high enough to touch the hammock, and if we could the baby would be too heavy to handle with ease. Last week I was raking down a radish bed in the garden with a rake that had four, brookteeth. Wife called me to the house for something and I stuck the handle of the rake in the ground before I went to the house. When I got back an hour later the rake had grown four new teeth and I had to trim the limbs off the handle before I could use it. This is the greatest country you ever saw and the sooner you pull yourself loose from those stony fields of yours and get out here the better off you will be.

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