

Spotted His Calculations. "Don't you like the room I gave you?" said the hotel clerk to the drummer from Cincinnati.

He Wanted to Know. A little boy whose experience with elevators has been a very limited one was brought into the city a few days ago by his mamma.

Shake Into Your Shoes. Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions.

The Dinner-Hour. In the fourteenth century the king of France dined at 8 a. m., and retired to rest at 8 p. m.

There is a Class of People Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O.

A Question of Ink. Massachusetts is struggling with a novel question relating to the durability of the ink recently furnished the various state departments.

Hall's Catarrh Cure. Is taken internally. Price, 75c.

No Interruptions Likely. Tired Housekeeper—There! The house is as neat as a new pin at last.

Little Brother—What shall I do if any one calls? Little Sister—No need to bother about that. No one ever calls when things are clean!

I know that my life was saved by Piso's Cure for Consumption—John A. Miller, Au Sable, Mich., April 21, 1895.

When a man asks a hundred dollars for a horse, he expects to get about sixty.

To Cure Constipation Forever. This Cathartic Candy Cathartic... If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Ice water knocks out more people than pugilists.

Adirondack Natives. Natives of the Adirondack region name all visitors "sports."

Too Small for Cats. The young man from the city had been fishing. He hadn't had much luck, but it was more than he was used to.

BEAUTY IS BLOOD DEEP. PURE, HEALTHY BLOOD MEANS BEAUTIFUL COMPLEXION.

Intestinal Microbes Poison the Blood When the Bowels are Constipated. Drive Them Out by Making the Liver Lively.

A Doubtful Compliment. "Benson is almost crazy, they say, my dear."

Large Feeds With Small Brains. Dr. Crochley Clapham, who has made measurements on 4,000 inmates of asylums.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic.

One Fool Enough. Gus De Smith went to a masquerade ball as a harlequin.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever.

Opposed to Blunder Duplication. Mr. Sumpurse—But why do you insist that our daughter should marry a man whom she does not like?

If sick, nothing renovates and invigorates like Dr. Kay's Renovator.

In telling a story, don't label it as funny before you begin to spin it.

SI SMITH'S SORROW.

HER NEVER was two closer friends than me and Si Smith—there couldn't be.

Wal, me an' Si grew up to manhood jest as we'd bin in our childhood—the confidantest o' friends; an' our mothers used ter laugh at us in that pleased sort o' way good mothers hev an' tell us we'd better get the dominie to marry us, so as to make our partnership a little more bindin'.

Of course, bein' young men, an' purty scrumptious lookin' ones at that, we was mighty poplar with the girls (thereabouts, an' used ter see 'em homin' pray'r meetin's, an' such like; but nothin' serious came of it till we got to courtin' Liza Hawkins, which waz my sweetheart, an' Sally Turner, which waz Si's.

They wer' the nicest an' purtiest girls you ever set eyes on, though to be sure I thort Liza was the charm-in'est an' Si had the same opinyun o' Sally, which waz nat'ral enough, considerin' that a man ought ter think more of his own sweetheart than o' some one else's.

I reckon some folks would say we waz a little too womanish, but any how me an' Si used ter hev long talks about our feelin's towards the girls, an' the upshot of it waz that I owned up to Si that I waz heels over head in love with Liza an' he confessed to me that he waz jest as deep in love with Sally.



REMEMBER, I LOVE HER. lookin' in Sally's an' Liza's bright eyes we'd lose our courage (or our heads) an' come away as much in doubt as ever.

At last, though, while seein' Liza home from singin'-school one rainy night, an' while I waz holdin' her close 'to me to keep her under my umbrella', I screwed my pluck up to the top notch, an' sed somethin'—I never knowed jest what it waz—but Liza understood what I meant, an' what she sed to me made me the happiest an' proudest man you ever saw in all yer born days.

I can never forget that day, or rather that night; for it waz late in the evenin' when he came to the house an' called me out. The mist I saw him I know'd somethin' had gone amiss. I had never seen him lookin' like that afore.

barnyard gate an' stopped an' leaned on the bars in a sort o' unspoken misery—for Si's misery made me miserable, too.

"Wal, Josh," sed he after awhile, without lookin' up, an' speakin' in a onnat'ral sort o' voice, "it's all over!"

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It must hev been mighty nigh midnight afore we left the barnyard gate, although we hadn't sed more'n a dozen words. We jest stood there a-holdin' onto each other's hands an' tryin' to think, but always losin' our reckonin' in the heavy clouds o' sorrow that hung over us.

"Don't take it too much ter heart, Si. Try ter be brave—try ter make the best of it!" I sed to him as we parted. He didn't answer me. He tried to, but all of a suddint he gave my hand a powerful wrench and hurried away with a pitiful look o' anguish on his white face.

I didn't see quite so much o' Si after that as afore. Every two or three days, though, he'd come to the house, an' it seemed ter me that he always looked paler an' thinner an' more despairin' every time we met.

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Learning the Town. Kentuckian—"Well, sir, have you canvassed our town pretty thoroughly in order to secure the views of our citizens as to the success of your enterprise?"

"FUNCTIONS" IN COAL MINES.

Iowa Church Members Unearth a New Place for Fashionable Capers. From the Detroit Free Press: The latest fad in Iowa is the holding of underground church socials.

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He Had Been Taught to Follow Copy and He Did So. My friend, the newspaper man, told me a funny little story which happened during the last election in a certain newspaper office in this city, says the St. Louis Republic.

This piece of copy was turned over to one of the old discharged men. To everybody's astonishment half the editorial in point was leaded, making a very offending column to the eye.

In the meantime the editorial writer had discovered that "led all the rest" had been omitted entirely, and he was madder than ever.

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It Raises a Doubt. Soxey—"I am beginning to disbelieve the classics." Knoxey—"I don't understand." Soxey—"The old Greek poets and historians cracked up their countrymen as fighters, and I think the old codgers must have been novelist: writing in rhyme."—Pittsburg News.

The court had assessed a fine of \$10 on the attorney for contempt, and the amount was very nearly the size of his pile. He put up the money in such a hesitating way that the court was moved to compassion.

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