With the World's Great Humorists

Selections from the Writings of the Best Known Makers of Mirth.

A Philanthropic Soul

By Thomas L. Masson.

house at five-thirty. "

as he thanked Mr. Pumpson.

right moment. It enables us to add

"Very well, sir."

effective.

Caleb Pumpson, a millionaire, had ciation of the public which hasmade a little gift of ten thousand dol- etc., etc." lars to the Sunnyside hospital. While, Mr. Pumpson responded modestly, of course, he shrank from any mani- as was his wont.

festation of gratitude, he learned that It gave him more pleasure than the trustees insisted upon having a he could well convey. The welfare semi-formal ceremony, and he had of the ailing had always appealed to been requested to honor the hospital him. As the science of hygiene adwith his presence on this particular vanced it became necessary that the afternoon, in order that the thanks of modern methods should supersede the the community at large, through the old-time crudities. He trusted that trustees themselves, might be conveyed to him properly. His automobile was waiting outside to convey him

The Chameleon's Bite

By H. M. Egbert.

weak spot in their mental make-up. chameleon had in some manner be-

the sore place they go off at a tangent. unfortunate case. lingered in the vi-

Were you thinking of anybody in par- cinity of the two men until the party

But they don't know it and won't be- come transferred to himself."

I've been watching him move about the afternoon.

among the other patients and had quite

"He's Liable to Bite."

a chat with him, and a more rational

happen to touch upon .. Why?"

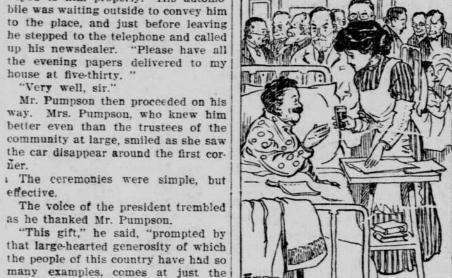
the color of whatever he's standing by

primary colors and consequently con-

tains them all."

visitor inquired.

with.



"A Visit of Inspection Was Made to another ward to our over-crowded hosthe Various Wards." pital. It is also a manifestation of

confidence in our institution, which his small contribution would be folwill doubtless lead to other gifts. How lowed by others, etc., etc. can we adequately express our appre- A collation was then served and a

visit of inspection made to the various wards. Also the surgical apartments and the operating rooms were all visited and explained.

This took up more time than Mr. Pumpson had expected. It was nearly six o'clock before

he returned to the house. He looked on the table in the hall He strode into the library. Then he suddenly ran up against his wife.

"Where are the papers I ordered?" "Papers? Did you order them?" "Certainly. I telephoned to have hem delivered. They should have

been here an hour ago." Mr. Pumpson looked at his wife inquiringly.

That lady held up her hands.

"Dear me, I didn't know you cared for those papers. I was sending up a lot of magazines and reading matter to the hospital this afternoon, and I stuck them in with the rest." Her husband jumped up and down

with his face purple. "What on earth did you do that for? Didn't I order those papers for my own use! What do you mean? How dare you do such a thing? I am in the habit of having my orders carried out!"

He ran around the room like a mad man. His wife, smiling, reached under the table and suddenly brought forth a bundle. They looked like newspapers. They were. She held them toward

"Forgive me, dear," she said. "Here are those papers. I was just mean enough to want to know how much you really cared for that hospital." (Copyright, 1909, by W. G. Chapman.)

······ The man in the white coat came strolling up. "We'd better be going in," he said,

addressing the doctor. ' "I always thought the inmates of an | chameleon and certain other lizards, "Certainly,' returned his companion. asylum were raving lunatics, in gen- and was the author of a pamphlet in "One moment though. I want to ineral," said the visitor at the institution | which he ascribed these to certain retroduce you to my friend." The vistea-party; "and yet a pleasanter and fractions occurring in the pigmentary more rational set of people than are deposits beneath the epidermical layer. fully behind him. "One of the ablest itor bowed, keeping his hand carehere I've never encountered. Surely if To cut the story short, he overworked inmates of our institution and a credit you were to let your patients go out himself and, having received an in- to all of us, I assure you," the doc into the world again they would be ca- significant bite from a chameleon tor continued. pable of taking care of themselves?" which he was handling, acquired the

The man in the white coat smiled "Yes, if they knew that they had a delusion that the peculiarity of the faintly. "Come, Mr. Zipfel," he said, assuming a slightly authoritative manlieve it. And when you touch them on | The visitor, greatly interested in this tor's sleeve. ner and placing his hand upon the doc-

"Just a moment," said the doctor, breaking away. He turned to the visitor, "He's watching you," he 1 "Yes," said the visitor. "That gen- and his patient eyed each other unoswhispered. "Look out he doesn't snap. | and Pills), and they did more good than | kiss you? tleman in the duck suit, for example. tentatiously but continuously during it's a sad case and almost hopeless. all my doctors' medicines I had tried, "I'm going to introduce you to the hardly feel sorry for him, for the way And yet, between ourselves, one can and in fact entirely cured him. His professor," said the doctor toward the he misused that poor chameleon was end. "But don't shake hands with terrible." Tears rose into the doctor's him. He's liable to bite. He thinks eyes. "I shall never be able to for if he can set his teeth in somebody's give him," he said with a sob. "I was hand and draw the blood he can trans- the chameleon that bit him." fer the virus from his own system." (Copyright, 1909, by W. G. Chapman.)

Parental Precepts

Dearly Beloved, the cloak of con- | What a worry and trouble children tentment has a lining of worry. The are! How many things we could have luxury of children is the costliest of if we didn't have children-but we all indulgences. It is a luxury the have the children. poor indulge in the most.

broke up. He noticed that the doctor

thankfully received, and yet, as we childless yearn for offspring. A childtritely say, we wouldn't part with less marriage is a ship without ballast, one for a million dollars or have an- a flower garden without blossoms. other for the same price-but we often have many more and without cash

bonuses, alas! When they are babies we say, "Lo, when they are able to take care of themselves what a comfort they'll be!" as good as theirs. man I've never come into contact But they never get able to take care of themselves until we, their parents. "Ah!" said the other thoughtfully. are so old and feeble we need them "Did you happen to speak to him about to take care of us, and generally they

don't. "No," the visitor admitted reluctantly. "That's a subject we didn't cried for candy. They now want ment, but let us joy at all times in "O, no special reason," returned the do without new clothes for ourselves be so poor as not to have them, nor other, "except that he wears a white and have no spending money of our none can be so rich that they can do coat because he thinks he has been own that we may satisfy these de- without them.

bitten by a chameleon and will turn sires. At about this time we say, "Behold, know, is a combination of the three troubles be as smoke!"

They do marry and our troubles relief. are as smoke, smoke that is a back "And that's his weak spot?" the draught, pestiferous, a nuisance that will not be abated.

"Yes, and it's rather a sad case. If Our daughters marry just the sort we could convince him that he wasn't of a son-in-law we don't want, and liable to change color we could let our sons' brides are the sort of girls

him go free. But it's useless. That's that particularly exasperate us. . his delusion. He was a college pro- We are connected with families by fessor, and was becoming quite an authese marriages that we do not like. thority upon the marks of the spec- and the said families we are newly trum. He made his specialty the connected with do not seem to appre-

And yet we do not want the things They are small favors not always we might have had as badly as the

Children are the little troubles that keep away the big ones. In their eyes father is big and

strong and no other child's mother is Admonished for their own good, they are not as good as they might be because they realize that they

have none of the parental perfection. Here is the time we should realize The time has passed when they that we dwell in the house of fulfillpocket money and new clothes. We the luxury of children, for none need

Have children and you will know joy, because you will see the shadows unless he wears white, which, as you when they are married, then will our of sorrows often enough to bring out the high lights of happiness in plainer

Have children of your own, Dearly Beloved! Six is more than you can afford and so is one. But accept no substitutes, there are none. The best mother in the world cannot bear other people's children.

Children are born, not made. An adopted child is like an adopted profession; it is never what it professes. And a foundling at your door is only a step-child.

(Convright 1900 her W G Chapman.)

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She Raised Forty Children.

Wanted to Feel the Liquor

changes of coloring occurring in the ciate us, either.

Half-Prowned Man Evidently Was Not Used to Taking Water.

Horace Bixey, the doyen of Mississippi pilots, is still at the wheel at 82. To him Mark Twain served his appren- nental detectives are illustrated in the

ey a recipe for a hale old age "Temperance, young man," the pilot replied. "Intemperance is what kills a private detective named Danek was

whimsical way, "the sad victims of in- that the pictures had been taken to than forty children-about a dozen temperance I have seen! "Once I remember a passenger of followed and discovered the thief and of her race, more than two dozen ours fell overboard. We fished him his hiding piace in Passaic, N. J. He adopted colored children.-Gainesville out with a boathook after he had been obtained an adjoining room in the

soaking on the bottom half an hour or same boarding house, gained the man's so. We laid him limp and sopping on confidence and learned that he had the dock, and a steward ran for the stolen the pictures while in Baron whisky bottle

pour some whisky down his throat, his subsequently took them, leaving the lips moved. A kind of murmur came police circular offering a reward in from them. I put my ear down close their place. Danek arrived in Vienna kings of Egypt." to listen and I heard the half-drowned some weeks ago and restored the pic-

"'Roll me on a bar'l fust to git some o' this water out. It'll weaken the licker." -- Cleveland Leader.

Clever Detective Work. The adroit methods of the contirecovery by Baron Leopold von Lie-A Vicksburg reporter asked Mr. Bix- ben of Vienna, of two valuable paintings, a Bochlin and a Troyon. The gray "jenny" attached to the crude pictures vanished in August, 1905, and vehicle, she was a familiar figure on us off. Ob, the victims," he said, in his engaged to trace them. This man found town with produce. She raised more Brunn, and then to America. Danek of her own, and, strange for a woman "As I pried the man's mouth open to trunk, and showed them to Danek, who hand?"

tures to their rightful owner.

"Aunty Jane" McCrary, the mother of a well-known colored porter of the Mountain View hotel, Gus McCrary, died a few days ago, having lived more years than she could exactly remember. She was kept out of the grave for four days after death that the church and lodge ceremonies might be observed over her remains. In a home-made buggy, with a lean the streets here when she came to (Ga.) Herald.

"You say that a grain of wheat Lieben's home. He had them in a was discovered in that mummy's

"Yes," answered the archaeologist.

"And the mummy was one of the great "King? Nonsense! He was prob ably a secretary of agriculture.'

SAVING PAINT MONEY

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In arranging for painting, a good many property-owners try to save money by employing the painter who offers to do the job cheapest-or try they lie, steal, slander, torture-I don't to save money by insisting on a lowpriced paint. But no property-owner Dr. Parkhurst of a man, were he to would run such risks if he realized grow up as he began, would have a what must be taken into consideralong career of bank robberies, astion in order to get a job that will saults, debauches and murders, and he wear and give thorough satisfaction.

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Cutting Humor. With cap and bells jangling, he burst into the king's presence.

majesty?" he cried. court jester.-Life.

sumption.



Miss Sharply-Certainly! I don't

-Disease Seemed Incurable.

half months old he broke out on both cheeks with eczema. It was the itchy, watery kind and we had to keep his little hands wrapped up all the time, and if he would happen to get them uncovered he would claw his face till the blood streamed down on his clothing. We called in a physician at once, but he gave an ointment which was so when it was put on. We changed doctors and medicine until we had spent fifty dollars or more and baby watching and caring for him night and day that I almost felt sure the disease was incurable. But finally reading of the good results of the Cuticura Remedies, I determined to try them. I can truthfully say I was more than surprised, for I bought only a dollar and a half's worth of the Cuticura Remedies (Cuticura Soap, Ointment face is perfectly clear of the least spot or scar of anything. Mrs. W. M. spot or scar. Mrs. W. M. Comerer, Burnt Cabins, Pa., Sept. 15, 1908."

went to West Point last fall to lec-

"Have you heard my last joke, your

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States does not grow with the con-

tention, erect, eyes front, each man a ramrod of military etiquette. An Irish setter entered the chapel door and ambled sniffingly down the aisle and up on to the platform. The cadets squirmed under the eagle eyes of their officers but not a man smiled. "Billy" noticed the strain. He looked down at the dog wagging its tail benevolently on the rostrum. "What! How's this?" said Prof. Phelps. "A setter? Why, I expected to see nothing but. West Pointers up here."-

Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale

Yale Alumni Weekly.

"I have," was the reply, as the royal ax descended on the neck of the

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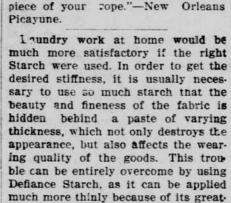
air and sunlight.

room is flooded by

top floor.

on your childhood. Study your evil tittle child heart. You'll wonder then

shop?



CRIMINAL IN CHILD NATURE.

Writer in New Orleans Picayune As-

serts We Are All Born with Tenderness Toward the Bad.

"All children," said a psychologist,

"are born criminals. Instinctively

know what. The saintliest man, a very

"A child, as soon as it begins to

toddle and lisp, steals. Till you have

trained a child to know that thefts

are followed by spankings, would you

dare to leave it alone in a candy

"It also lies. After a raid on the

"A child slanders and libels. Did

you ever hear a beautiful, lisping

shild speak in praise of its play-

mate? No. On the contrary, it ac-

cuses the playmate continually of

it the opportunity. Lack of opportu-

aity is all that prevents children from

"It is needless to go on. Look back

that no curio collector cherishes a

becoming confirmed inebriates.

"A child will get drunk if you give

would die on the gallows.

Jess Said Her Prayers. One day three-year-old Baby Jess was visiting her grandmother, who was very devout. She asked Baby Jess if her mother had taught her to say her prayers.

er strength than other makes.

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cross this morning. Mother (sternly)-How often have I told you not to let that young man

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Usually They Are. "Professor, what is the meaning of

the word 'monologue?' " "My dear sir, consider the derivation of it. 'Mono' is slang for 'money,' and 'logos' means 'a word.' Monologue, words for money."

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- Mrs. J. P. Endlich, R. F. D. 7, Erie, Pa.

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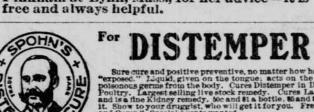


Table Talk. A story in which Webster is said to have figured: The statesman was once asked by a woman at a dinner given in his honor, how he varied in his eating and what he generally ate. "Madam," the answer ran, "I vary in

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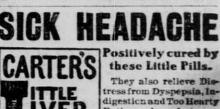
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