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The fellow who hurries and worries and flurries.

And rushes and gushes and rants; Who chases and races through all public places,

With his eyes ever on the main chance,

Will blunder, then wonder when he has gone under.

Why he all the shocks never stood. But he failed, for he paled and he quivered and quailed. When it came to the test-"Making good."

The halter and trimmer may catch a faint glimmer

Of smiles and of wiles of Dame Chance. In his dreaming and scheming may

catch a faint gleaming. Of a goal that his eyes will entrance, But he pales and he quails, and his

energy fails, And he couldn't win out if he would; For he sighs and he cries at the van-

ishing prize When it comes to the test-"Making good."

The fellow who's ready and sturdy and steady;

Who hustles and rustles and learns; Acts honestly, fairly, uprightly and squarely-

That fellow success quickly earns. Let him win it—that minute he will be strictly in it,

And meet every test as he should. He will work like a Turk, and a duty ne'er shirk,

And go right ahead "Making good."

Kismet

As soon as July's hot sun glows There dawns upon our view, The fiend incarnate who doth ask: "I-i-h-e-f-y-?"

To Be Sure

packers are now begging for a square Fourth. deal."

Jumperly-"Yes, they have been detected in their square steal."

A Seasonable Fable

Mr. Jimplecute, the eminent defender of national honor and pro-ponent of the "Greater America" policy, had just finished his pleasant task of assisting his children in their Fourth of July fireworks exhibition. Mr. Jimplecute was very warm, very patriotic and very happy. Had he not assisted in celebrating the natal day of the great republic that was dedicated to human freedom, equal rights and representative government?

Mr. Jimplecute walked down to the gate which adorned the fence surrounding his fine mansion, thinking to catch a breath of fresh air before retiring to his slumbers. To his surprise he noted a small, dark-complexioned man peering through the ornamental iron bars of the fence.

"What are you doing there?" sharply queried Mr. Jimplecute.

"I was merely watching the exhibition," replied the stranger. was very fine."

"Ah, you enjoyed it, did you?" asked the gratified Mr. Jimplecute.

"Very much, sir,' replied the stranger. "But might I make bold to ask you the occasion for such a demonstration?"

Mr. Jimplecute. "You don't mean to sauntered by.

say that you do not know that this is the glorious Fourth of July?"

"I am well aware of the date," replied the stranger courteously, "but what has that to do with this great display of fireworks?"

Mr. Jimplecute was so astonished that for a few moments he was speechless. When he recovered the use of his tongue he proceeded to explain.

'This is the anniversary of our nation's birth; the natal day of this free and glorious republic; conceived in liberty and brought forth by the blood of our revolutionary sires. It marks the striking of shackles from the limbs of free men. On this day the Declaration of Independence signed, the document that set forth the incontrovertible fact that all men are born equal and entitled to life. liberty and the pursuits of happiness. It was, sir, the greatest document ever penned by the hands of mortal men. It gave representative government to the world and sounded the death knell of monarchical rule. Have you never heard of the Declaration of Independence?"

"Only once, sir," replied the stranger.

"Ah, you are an ignorant foreigner,

"I'm not ignorant, if a university education dispels ignorance. But whether I'm a foreigner or not is a disputed question. Your supreme court, as I believe you call it, has not settled that question beyond cavil. Yes, I heard of the Declaration of Independence once."

"And where was that, may I ask?" queried the puzzled Mr. Jimplecute.

"In Manila, sir. I heard an American soldier refer to is as a blanked incendiary document, and he prohibited my people from reading it."

Mr. Jimplecute wanted to say something, but before he could definitely house. decide on what to say the small man with the dark complexion bowed courteously and disappeared in the Bimberly-"I see that the beef gloom of the evening of the glorious

Packingtown Logic

The great beef packer touched the electric bell push and summoned his confidential clerk before him.

"Have you agreed with our competitors as to the price we will pay for hogs, sheep and beef cattle tomorrow?" "Yes sir."

"Have you ordered a new supply of formaldehyde?"

"Yes sir." "Is our stock of salicylic acid large enough to last through the month?'

"Yes sir." "All the offal and scraps worked up

for sausage and head cheese?" "Yes sir." "Did you discharge that bunch of anarchistic union men and fill their

places with the imported laborers who will work longer hours for 50 per cent less wages?" 'Yes sir."

"Got everything all right, eh?"

"All your orders have been carried out sir."

"That's good. You may go now Send me in Mr. Spacewriter. I want to give him a few pointers about that article he is going to write demanding a 'square deal' for the great packing interests."

Lots of Such Places

"Is this a good place to fish?" asked "W-h-a-t," stuttered the surprised Mr. Cityman of the countryman who

"Aint no better fishin' place in the country,"

"That's good."

"You bet it's a good fishin' place." continued the countryman. shade's mighty good, the water's deep and clear an' you can git all th' fish worms you need without diggin' a minute."

"My, but I'm lucky to strike this spot," said Mr. Cityman. What kind of fish do they mostly catch here?"

"They don't ketch no fish, mister. There ain't no fish in th' lake. But it's a mighty fine place to fish just the same."

Queries

Pray tell me what did Mary land? What did Connecti cut? What was it made Virginia reel Toward the Terre hut?

Who made that awful Illi noise? And why did Wiscon sin?

And when old Massachu sets down Pray what does she "set" in? Who is it owns the bulk of stock

In that New Mexi Co.? And when will Philadelphia, Pa.? How much does Ohi O?

Brain Leaks

Fail once, try twice.

The friend easily made is usually easily lost.

Childish hindrances are often a parent's best help.

Some men imagine that their surliness is sedateness.

The man who goes out looking for trouble usually meets it half way. The man who abuses his stomach

is the man who abuses modern cook-

"The wages of sin is death," and there is no use trying to have them reduced.

The prayers of some people sound very much like a demand for a reduction in the gas bill.

The proudest day in the life of a boy's parents is when he brings home his first month's wages.

Some men have never yet found a cushioned pew as easy a seat as a wood-bottomed chair in the opera

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVEN-TIONS

The democratic state convention for Pennsylvania met at Harrisburg and decided to endorse the candidate for governor nominated by what is known as the Lincoln party. The Lincoln party is composed of men who have broken away from the republican party in Pennsylvania and are fighting the republican machine. The candidate for governor nominated by the Lincoln party and endorsed by the democrats is Lewis Emory, Jr. The democratic convention also nominated for lieutenant governor, Jere S. Black, who is a grandson of the famous Jere Black, who was attorney general in President Buchanan's cabinet and the son of the late Chauncey F. Black, well known among the democrats of the country. William F. Creasy was nominated for auditor-general, and John J. Green for secretary of internal affairs. Mr. Creasy is the democratic leader of the house of representatives and was recently nominated for auditor general by the prohibition convention.

The platform dwells on state issues except where it congratulates the country upon the fact that "the only prominence which the present republican national administration has attained has been achieved by the feeble and pretended application of the principles enunciated in democratic platforms." The platform declares in favor of the rule of the people as against domination by corporation; improved election laws; rigid regulation of all