



A Chance for Andrew

"I see," remarked Bifkins, "that Carnegie has offered two hundred millions for ten years more of life."
"Well, he's liberal. Rockefeller got a whole Day with a much smaller proportionate outlay of money."

A Near Limerick

A busy man named Harriman
Grabbed all the railroads that he could
Until at last he owned them all
And then discovered when too late
That he had merely gathered them for
Uncle Sam.

Successful

"Is B Jones a successful chaffeur?"
"I should say he is. He broke three ribs, lost an eye, sustained concussion of the brain, ran over three men and killed five dogs the first day's run."

Bad Break

"That was an awful break Bimerly made last night after he had proposed to the rich Miss Anteck and been accepted."
"What was it?"
"Just after she had accepted him he asked if she gave trading stamps."

The Grip

When you head feels like a lint mill
And your lungs are full of wheeze;
When your mouth tastes like a booze still
And your nose is full of sneeze;
When you feel mean and downhearted,
Suffring roup and gapes and pip,
It's a sign that you have started
On a good case of the grip.

Mr. Rockefeller

Are you not inclined to swear if
Mr. Dingley's high old tariff
Is so big
That you've got to cough up double,
Just to save a lot of trouble,
For that wig?
But don't worry, Rockefeller;
You're a bully gloom dispeller
In a pinch.
Raise the price of lubrication
And likewise illumination—
It's a cinch.

Logical

"The trouble with the working classes today," remarked Senator Graball, "is that prosperity has made them reckless. They do not economize. They are too prone to be wasteful. What they need is to be more

economical. Then they will find it easy to live comfortably on the high wages these prosperous times insure to them."

Having thus delivered himself Senator Graball hastened over to the senate chamber to record his vote in favor of a 50 per cent increase in his senatorial salary.

"The cost of living has increased to such an extent that a senator can no longer live decently on the old salary," explained Senator Graball.

Hesitating

"I understand that Whillikens has been offered a better job than the one he has. Is he going to take it?"
"Yes, just as soon as he can ascertain what he is."
"What do you mean?"
"Well, Whillikens will have to resign his present job before he can take the new one, and he don't want to resign until he finds out whether the resignation will make him a rascal or a patriot."

Modern

"What does this mean!" shouted the irate parent as he suddenly and without warning entered the dimly lighted parlor.
"It means this, papa," murmured Miss Gladys DeRox, looking the great financier calmly in the face, "that Harold and I have organized a holding company, and there is no common stock—only preferred."
Realizing that he was not even a director, Mr. Squeezen DeRox, the great financier, quietly retired in a thoughtful mood.

Vain

The poor man was haled before the police judge and made to enter a plea.
"You are charged with stealing coal, sir," said the judge. "What have you to say for yourself?"
"Your honor, I did not steal the coal. I merely confiscated it in transit."
When put to the test, however, he could not show that he was a public utility corporation, or even a holding company, but merely a poor man with a family.
It was thirty days for him.

The "Pops" Are Laughing Yet

The old-time populists of Nebraska are making merry over a joke perpetrated on a republican convention in a Nebraska county last fall. It occurred in a Fourth congressional district county, and the man who perpetrated the joke was a republican prior to 1890, when he joined the populists. After serving in the populist ranks for several years he returned to the republican ranks, but the leaven of populism was still working. He showed up in the republican county convention as a delegate, and while warmly welcomed back by the faithful he was the subject of many jibes on account of his former populism. Eager to show the warmth of their welcome the republican bosses named the old-time populist as a member of the resolutions committee. When the committee met he presented the draft of a platform which met with an enthusiastic reception because it so clearly and forcefully outlined principles advocated by the republicans of the county. The platform thus prepared was reported back to the convention without amendment, and was adopted with a whoop.

Then the old-time populist had his laugh. He quietly showed his republican friends that he had merely copied the old Ocala platform with

the exception of the sub-treasury plank, not changing a single word therein.

And the republicans who used to denounce that platform as one choke full of anarchy and vagary had adopted it with enthusiasm!

In the meanwhile the faithful old populists are chuckling in high glee, and the republicans are wondering how it happened. The best part of the story is that it is absolutely true.

Brain Leaks

Love laughs at jokesmiths.
Start well is half finished.
The best wage is a clear conscience.
You can not cut glass with a rip-saw.
A starving man needs no advice as to diet.
It takes two or more to make a home.
Industry calls it "pluck," indolence calls it "luck."

Does a man deserve credit for merely doing his duty?
The day started with a smile is seldom ended with a frown.
People who dodge their crosses will reach in vain for their crowns.
Everybody sits up and takes notice when the baby enters complaint.
People may dodge responsibilities, but they cannot dodge the results.
Some men think that home is merely a stopping place for meals and lodging.

People who go to church to be entertained seldom come away benefited.
We wouldn't put much confidence in a boy that never tried to own a dog.
A well spent life and an ill spent fortune never go out at the same time.

There is a great difference between having great riches and having plenty of money.

A man does not have to submit to everything merely because he tries to be a Christian.

The trouble with conscience is that it so often fails to hurt until after the sin has been found out.

Strong men avoid temptation through fear of weakness; fools court it to show their boasted strength.

Did you ever know a woman who had plenty to wear just when she received an invitation to some function?

There are a lot of people who feel sorry for the poor in a mass, but overlook the poor individual near at hand.

Among others who deserve a hero medal is the man who can act pleasant when he is suffering from the grip.

A man seven miles from a cigar store and minus a smoke knows how a woman feels when she opens her last jar of preserves.

The man who boasts about following the dictates of his own conscience should be very careful that his conscience is in free working order.

My Prayer

God, for the gladness of this day,
Grateful, I come tonight.
Through all the days to come, dear Lord,
Guide Thou my steps aright.

I thank Thee, God, for health and friends,
And strength to work with cheer;
Grant me refreshing sleep this night,
Free from all care and fear.

And may I waken calmed, renewed,
And ready for the day;
Whether of sorrow or of joy,
Help me to keep Thy way.

Grant, Father, purity of heart,
And courage for the right,
Grant me the gift of cheer alway,
And favor in Thy sight.
Amen.

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