



When

There'll be steam heat at the far north pole, and melted the frozen snow;
The equatorial line will freeze and frost on the bread fruit grow;
The gulf stream's flow to the south will turn and Cuba be washed away;
The Father of Waters will change his course and flow into Hudson's Bay;
The old Yukon will be boiling hot and goodness be sold by the can
When the old Pacific is gobbled up by the sawed-off sons of Japan.

The hogs will soar through the azure sky, and the birds will root and squeal;
Chicago will slip from its present spot and anchor by old Mobile;
The city of Penn will have no graft, and Pittsburgh will be free from soot;
The streets of Boston will be straight as strings and roses will grow in Butte;
The Standard Oil will be run straight and the "Big Stick" stuffed with bran
When the old Pacific is gobbled up by the sawed-off sons of Japan.

The tariff barons will cry enough and cheerfully yield their graft;
The winter winds from the frozen wilds the warmest of zephyrs waft;
The sun will shine on the darkest night, and the moon will shine by day;
The finest of figs on thistles grow and wine will be squeezed from hay;
The ox will feed on rye bread and cheese and its owner will feed on bran
When the old Pacific is gobbled up by the sawed-off sons of Japan.

The Wisdom of the Ancients

"I've heard a whole lot about the 'wisdom of the ancients,'" remarked the Wise Guy as he deftly abstracted a cracker from the barrel and moved stealthily towards the cheese box. "This 'wisdom of the ancients' business is all fol-de-rol. When old Rameses, or whatever his name was, built the pyramids he was just a common old skate who put a million or so of laborers to work, and when the thing was done he merely had a pyramid on his hands. Had he been wise according to this day and generation he would have schemed it a little different.
"He would have organized the Egyptian Pyramid and Development company and issued a lot of preferred and common stock, to say nothing of a lot of gold debenture bonds. When these were sold—retaining enough, of course, to keep him in control—he would have organized a building company with the usual grist of common, preferred and first mortgage bonds. These would have been worked off on the confiding Egyptians, and while they were figuring on their dividends he would have organized a holding company that would bring in some more money and at the same time give him control of the finances of all three concerns. By this time he would have been ready to turn the annual Nile rise into the stock and water it to a finish.
"But instead of taking advantage of his opportunities he just went ahead and built the pyramids with-

out any side issues. Old Rameses wouldn't last a minute if he got mixed up with some of our modern builders and promoters. That's why it makes me tired to hear a lot of would-be wise ones talking about the 'wisdom of the ancients.'"

Real Information

"I have examined your prospectus carefully," said the great lawyer, "and I am afraid that you can not legally carry out your plans."
"O, fudge!" exclaimed Mr. Gobsocash petulantly. "We're not retaining you to tell us what we can not do legally; what we want is information as to what we can legally do—that is, what we can do, and how far we can go, without getting tangled up with the courts."

Between and Between

With Will Griffin of Milwaukee on the north singing about the glories of his home city and state, and Judd Lewis of Houston on the south singing of the joys of his home city and state, we are going to remain right here in Lincoln, Nebraska, and have the time of our life. And if Will and Judd want to experience real living they will meet each other half way and the three of us will go at it.
So there, now!

Capable

"Are you able to support my daughter, and give her everything she has been accustomed to?" growled the father.
"I can support her all right, all right," replied Mr. Wiseun, "but as for giving her everything she has been accustomed to under your roof I have no hesitancy in telling you that one reason she is marrying me is to get away from a lot of those very things."

Not Guilty

"Entering the city editor's room the visitor said:
"I have here a dog's tale that—"
"We are not printing any nature fakes these days," growled the man at the desk.
"O, this isn't any nature story," said the visitor. "I meant to say that I have a ring of bologna, and if you know where we can get the crackers we won't have to spend anything for lunch."

A Near Limerick

There was a young man who kept wishing
That he could drop work and go fishing,
But the boss chortled "Nay,
Here at work you must stay,"
And the young man had to do it to eat.

Gallant

He saw the maiden land ker-splash,
Deep into the mountain lake;
He made a quick and sudden dash
Quick as a lamb's tail's shake.
He threw himself in the water there
And in little less than a trice
He rescued the dainty damsel fair
And skated ashore on the ice.

Unfitted

"I greatly fear," remarked the managing editor to the new reporter, "that you are unfitted for newspaper work."
"In what have I been derelict?" queried Mr. Yalevard Grad, late of Boston.
"You were sent out to make a

note of the arrest of Yamato Kimoni, the young Japanese fellow, and you merely wrote that he was pinched for being noisy. You overlooked the opportunity to make a feature story about how he was a spy in the employ of the Mikado with sketches of our forts, coast defenses and battleships in his possession. You may take this slip to the cashier and get what is coming to you to date. I think it possible, however, Mr. Yalevard, that you might make a success as one of those realistic writers. Good day, sir."

The Races

"Still playing the races, old man?"
"No; I've been cured."
"How was it?"
"O, I rigged up a slate and put all my money on it. But a horse named Sponge won and wiped my slate clean."

Space Fillers

Open cars,
Cheap cigars. —Boston Globe.
End seat hog
Sits like log. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.
Peekaboo,
Lovely view. —Birmingham Age-Herald.
Then wind blew,
Your whiskers thru. —Ohio Sun.
And the trip
Ends in grip. —Washington (D. C.) Times.

A doctor's bill
And an empty till. —Kansas City Post.

This makes us tired—
You're all fired.

Brain Leaks

A patch in time saves money.
Carelessness is the father of vain regret.
A chloroformed conscience heeds no accuser.
Today's duties well done means tomorrow's rest well won.
The man who achieves his ideal had a poor one to start with.
The first sign of a man's strength is his knowledge of his own weakness.
The man who hunts for a job usually lands quicker than the man who seeks a situation.
A lot of men have changed their ideas about life when their first born was laid in their arms.
The two best vacations are the one we had last year and the one we are going to have this year.

We are looking for a restaurant where things don't taste as if all were fried in the same skillet.
A lot of union men would kick hard if their wives charged them price and a half for overtime.

A wife can forgive her husband a great many things if he is only handy at fixing up things around the house.
Some men look upon home as a place where they can grunt and complain without danger of being called down.

The man who tackles and performs all the little duties that confront him is always ready when really big things come up for doing.

Between the ages of eight and twelve a boy hesitates between being a snare drummer and a locomotive engineer as a life profession.

A dinkey little plate for a prize at a card party means a "social pleasure." A "jack-pot" with \$2 cash in it means "gambling." There is great need of a revised social dictionary.

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"Gracious goodness, John Henry Siviter! What makes you want to grow up in ignorance?"
"Cause the richest man I know of is the ignorantest man in the country if the daily papers are giving it to us on the level."