BROTHER GARDNER HAS SOMETHING TO SAY TO SHINDIG WATKINS.

He Advises Him to Pay Up All His Debts, and When He Starts Anew to Go Slow on Chickens and Lively on

(Copyright, 1892, by Charles B. Lewis,) It has been understood for some time past that Shindig Watkins, of the Lime-kiln club, was going to remove to Colum-bus, O., where inducements were held out for him to open a stand for the sale of old fashioned pumpkin pies and fried cakes At the last regular meeting of the club, after the transaction of routine business, Brother Gardner called Shindig to the

"Brudder Watkins, I'ze bin told dat yo' talk o' leabin us."

"Yes, sah." "Gwine down to Ohio to sot up in bizness

fur vo'self?"

"Yes, sah." "Wall, dis club will miss yo', an each member will be sorry to see yo' go. While yo' am not a brilliant man, neither hev yo' spit on de stove nor broken any lamp chimneys. As dis am de last meetin befo' yo'r departur', I wish to say a few fatherly

words to yo'."
"Yes, sah." "In de fust place, pay up all yo'r debts efo' yo' start. Had Cicero left Rome owin fur house rent, groceries, bacon an so on, he could nebber hev achieved greatness. In de nex' place, if yo' hev bin mad at anybody kase yo' couldn't agree about de aige of Noah when he entered de ark. go to him an offer yo'r hand an make

peace."
"I has dun it, sah," replied Shindig. "Doan' go down to Ohio feelin dat yo' am doin de stait a great favor by comin an doan' attempt to put on style ober de people yo' meet. If yo' had nebber bin



bo'n into dis world de stait of Ohio would hev got along fist desame. She wants yo'r purkin pies an yo'r fried cakes, but she wouldn't bust up if she didn't git 'em. It will, of co'se, be known dat yo' am a member of dis Limekiln club, and aldermen, judges an eben de guv'nor will stop to shake hands wid vo'. Donn' let vo'self git swelled up wid pride. Be jest proud 'nuff to go right on tendin to bizness, but not proud 'nuff to bust to pieces like a biler carryin too much steam.

"Yes, sah," answered Shindig.
"Doan' land in Columbus wid any pertickler motto on yo'r banner. 'Excelsior is a werry good motto, but it seldom pans out anythin which de owner feels proud of. Mottoes war' all right two hundred y'ars ago, when land was cheap an yo' could wote as often as yo' wanted to on 'leckshun day, but times hev changed. In old times honesty was de best policy, but in dese days de man who buys a hoss am supposed locate all de spavins fur hisself. If yo find dat yo' can mix a leetle squash wid yo'r punpkin an thus save expense an please de people jest as well, yo' will p'obably do so of yo'r own accord." 'Yes, sah.'

"I doan' know how yo' stand on de quesshun of chickens. Brudder Watkins, but in gwine into a new community I reckon yo' had better go slow. Dat is, doan' let yo'r hankerin far chickens git de better of yo'r discreshun. Let bacon an codfish satisfy yo' until yo' hev looked around. Yo' are doubtless aware of de fact dat de torpedo-chicken am an Ohio invenshun, an dat ober 50,000 of 'em am in use in dat stait. In some cases whar de torpedo chicken am in use yo' will find a red chalk mark on de hencoop doah; in edders yo' take long chances. Make no decided move till yo' hev bin in Columbus fur at least

"I doan' keer furchicken 't all, sak," re-

plied Shindig.
"Den it's all de better fur yo', Brudder Watkins, an jist as well fur de chickens. Now, about de society in Columbus. How do yo' propose to start out?" 'My wife will gin a soiree soon arter we

oit dar, sah." 'Dat's k'rect. Yo' will find three sorts o' cull'd folkses in ebery town. De fust strata am de waiters an barbers, de second de whitewashers an stove blackers, de third decommon niggers who job around by de day. Invite only de fust strata to yo'r soiree. Yo' must hev ice cream. lasses candy an at least one kind o' cake. Paper napkins will do, but yo' must not pass water around in a tin dipper. If vo' haven't got tumblers 'nuff den use a comple of yaller bowls. As de host yo' will be 'spected to w'ar white gloves, red necktie an a new paper cellah. If dar am no bell on yo'r doah den hire one f de occashun. No soiree was eber a su cess widout a doah bell. If yo' hev ic cream 'nuff fur two dishes all around yo

will at once establish yo'rself in de fust strata. Now, about yo'r finanshul standin. Was yo' gwine to tell eberybody down dar dat yo' was in de punpkin pie an fried cake bizness simply to occupy yo'r thoughts while waitin' to invest \$75,000

"No, sah," said Shindig. "I shan't den no braggin 't all."

"Dat's right. Yo' needn't tell ebery body dat yo' only had twenty-seven dollars left aster reachin de town, an yo' needn't carry de ideah dat it makes yo' tired to cut off yo'r coupons. Take a sort o' middle course. Pay cash fur what yo' buy an if de report spreads around dat yo' am a millyonaire, don't admit or deny it. will attend church, of co'se?"

'Yes, sah.' "If I am not mistooken you was a Baptist. Dat religun am all right, but doon' be in a hunry. De Methodist religun am also al right. If de Methodist church down dar has a steeple an a bell in it, an de Beptist church has neither, it would be policy fur yo' to fine in wid de former. I is somy to say dat in dere egonerate days we judge de meatin ho dan how he acts inside of all, Brudder Watkins, an sured dat in gwine away from dis club, of which yo' her bin a mem ber almost from de organizachen, yo' leave only friends behind. We shall want to h'ar from yo' eften, an we shall hope to hev yo'r specuit wid us at ebery reg'lar meetin. Is sun not de custom of de clais to make presents on sich occashum as dis, but if yo' will eall at my cabin befo' yo' go I will give yo' a recipe for childrens, an also tell vo' how to pick out a ripe watermellyan from de green ones in a patch on a drok night. De meetin will new bust up

Wife-Is there unwhing else I can do. dear? I have spent all the morning dama-

ing your socks.

Husband-Yes. I wish you would wear them .- New York Sun.

MR. AND MRS. BOWSER. The Head of the House Poses as

Teacher. "Mrs. Bowser," began Mr. Bowser, as be laid down his paper the other evening and put his thumbs in the armholes of his vest, "on a car this afternoon I heard a wife asking her husband about the Chilian question.

'Yes," replied Mrs. Bowser. "It reminded me that you never seemed to care what was going on outside your "I thought you didn't want to be both-

ered with questions?"

"Any and every husband should always be willing, Mrs. Bowser, to furnish his wife information. Suppose we should be out to a card party and the name of Diaz was mentioned? I suppose you wouldn't know whether he run a bank in Chicago, or was the owner of a cattle ranch in Montana." "He has been president of Mexico for several years," she replied. "Is there anything new in the Gazza movement?"

Mr. Bowser's face betrayed surprise as he looked at her, but he presently observed: "Had you asked me at any time what overt act strained our relations with Chill, I should have sought to make it clear to

"I have known what it was all along. It was the outrageous attack made on a number of men from the man-of-war Baltimore while they were ashore."

"Yes-just so-ahem!" stammered Mr. Bowser, as he regarded her with the greatest astonishment. "Mrs. Bowser, no husband expects his wife to be posted on anything outside of society gossip and the local news of the day, but should she evince an ambition to grapple with something of greater moment he ought to esteem it a duty to post her. While on this subject it might be well for you to ask me any other question that happens to occur to you. In going down town you may hear the term 'reciprocity' used by a couple of gentlemen in conversation. It is well enough for you to know what it alludes to, though, of course, you cannot be expected to know"---

"I know all about it, Mr. Bowser!" she interrupted, "and am just finishing a three page article for The Political Economist on that subject. I shall have it ready to read to you tomorrow night."

Mr. Bowser stopped dead still, and there was a wabble to his left leg as he winked his eyes and wondered if that was Mrs. Bowser or some strange woman. He felt that she was getting the best of him, but he didn't propose to admit it, and it was with increased pomposity and assurance

"Some husbands contend that the Lord created woman simply to oversee the house, but I am not one of them. While you can't be expected to know as much as I do, you can post yourself on certain matters to your personal benefit. For instance, presume you have at some time or other noticed the terms 'free trade' and 'protection.' They were all Greek to you, of course, but had you asked me to ex-

"You would have done so, of course, but there was no call for it. After three years' careful study of the matter I think I am pretty well posted. I have been writing a weekly article for the last six months for a free trade organ, and have saved them for you to look over!"



"You-you have!" he gasped, as the wabole was communicated to the other leg and he had to sit down.

"I was just writing an article this afternoon on socialism in Germany. The emperor is taking decided steps to crush out the spirit, but history will repeat itself. Like the czar of Russia with the nihilists. he will only sow further seed. Isn't that your opinion, Mr. Bowser?" Mr. Bowser felt that a crisis had come.

He must act, and act speedily, or he would suffer defeat. With a mighty effort he rose up and walked about for a minute, and then said:

'Mrs. Bowser, while I shall always be cheerfully willing, as I said before, to give you all information on general topics, and while I am pleased to note what an apt pupil you are, we must not lose sight of the fact that there has been a button off my overcoat for the last three days, and that there is a hole in one of my socks, and that if I were to go up stairs this evening I couldn't find a shirt or collar or hand-

"You could if you looked in your dresser," she interrupted. "Do not interrupt me, Mrs. Bowser!" he said, as he waved her into vacancy. "Now and then I shall sit down and seek to im-

part some of my knowledge on general subects, but don't you forget the fact that this house has never been run on anything like system, and that if I wasn't the most patient and enduring husband in the world I should have sent you home to your mother long ago! I am now going to bed -that is, if I can find a bed which has any sheets or quilts on it and which is not in use as a freight car!" And having finally blaffed Mrs. Bowse.

down he began to smile and look happy again, and before going to bed he even sought to compliment her by saying: "As soon as I post you up a little more you'll be able to carry on quite an argument with an ordinary man-an ordinary man, Mrs. Bowser!"

THE ARIZONA KICKER.

Progress of the Holiest Paper in the . Great West. EXPLANATORY.—The editor of THE KICK-ER started for Lone Tree on Friday last to collect some overdue subscriptions, but fally expected to be back Monday morning. That day and yesterday passed with-

out bringing him, and we have taken charge and issued the inside pages. are the agricultural editor. LATER.-Early this morning we received a telephone message from Helf Way to the effect that the editor was seen on, Suzday siding in hot pursuit of Fom Jackson,

of Lone Tree, who owed for two years' sub scription. Tom was ahead, but the editor THE LATEST .- Just as we go to press a telephone message from Lone Pres an-nemoces that the cowbeys on Colonel Kyle's ranch have got hold of the editor and will probably brach him. We were

asking for further pasticulous when the wire was cut. DON'T CALL-We respectfully request of those who have a grievance against the editor that they delay calling at the office until his return. Major Henderson came in yesterday to shoot him for an article which appeared two weeks ago, and al though it was explained to him that we were only temperarily in charge and not all this company few wore made able "knowledge is power" the working personally responsible, he shot two bullets to locate the master of this manipula- children are raised to be the slaves of farough our hat and otherwise unnerved We don't want any more such outlers. We are a purely agricultural editor from

week we shall expect to take some ch noes. but we can't do it on eight dollars.

WASTED HIS TIME.-Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock an individual known as Jim Furlong, who supposed the editor of THE KICKER was at home, rode up and down the street in front of the office for half an hour on an old mule, daring the editor to come out and shoot the icicle off the end of his nose. He was finally informed of how matters stood, and he fired three bullets into the front door and rode

It is needless to observe that had our chief been home Mr. Furlong would have made No. 11 in his private graveyard. As it was, we ma no demonstration. We were not only ver busy reading proof, but as stated elsev were we can't afford these luxuries on our present salary.



WE ARE A PURELY AGRICULTURAL EDITOR

AN EXTRA.-It is very likely that an extra will be issued from this office tomorrow or the day after, containing the latest news from the editor. We do not consider the second message as to his whereabouts reliable. Knowing that Colonel Kyle's cowboys were hankering to get hold of him, would have allowed him to at least forward a brief note. Cowboys are rather odd in their ways, but they try to hang a man

We think the first report is the key to the situation. Tom Jackson has refused to come down with his cash. The editor sighted him and gave chase. We think he run him into the Black mountains, sixty miles beyond Lone Tree, and there lost the trail, but is still looking for it. We have many reasons to hope that he will turn up safe and sound. M. QUAD.

The Lunar Census. Teacher-Is the moon inhabited? Bright Scholar-Yes. Teacher (sarcastically)-What is the population?

Wanted a Reduction. "What's the price of them opera glasses

he asked as he entered the optician's. "Twenty-eight dollars," said the clerk. "Well, say, I've only got one eye. Can't you knock off fifty per cent.?"—Harper's

Wage-Earners, Stand Together,

Unite on all issues that make for the common good, for your own welfare, family, friends and country. There are common ties and interests that bind all industrialists together. And these involve duties and obligations that should cause all to act as save their homes and provide securi- loyalty to the principals that made ties against the slavery of their chil-dren, to re-establish justice, equalize blem, they would change, they would of the republic. The Fatherhood of they done so? God and the brotherhood of man are promote human bappiness and build his Son was 'Love ve one another.' able and happy. This is a heritage action, and once when the tax-gathobjects and purposes of government that are Casar's." have been perverted through the conand every impulse of fair play de- Dr. Worcester in his unabridged dicarena of public debate, and clear the have been deluded by it ' Does it and prosperity throughout the land. preme court of the United States Need we say to the industrialists: should have been so "unlastructed" feasible or practicable. Then there right of congress to make such issue," that will survive and secure a final large. victory. - National View.

Who Gets the Cotton?

of Maine "Who gets the hay?" South-ern citizens who want to know "Who only two-the Western Union and the cotton during a recent boom: -

He was not much of a hero till one soon on all sides it was recognized that rising of the sun. a battle royal was under way.

and related business affairs emphasized in every state where it has lines. Southern demorrisation & Southern Phila Telegraph. were bulletined as laggards. But were more than doubled. Through Boston, and a man of peace. When our sulary has been raised to thirty deliars per made \$2,000,000."—Chicago Sentinel.

LIBERTY, LAW AND MONEY.

The War of Independence and Uncon trollable Financiers.

In the Journal of Agriculture I read some extracts from the Century Magazine on 'cheap money." that does such violence to my conception of what the United States republic ought to accomplish for the human family, that I have yielded to the moving of the spirit" to reply says a writer in the Alliance Tribune.

The writer says . that the economic administration of a nation, the regulation of its currency and finances, calls for expert ability of a rare kind." That a few have the requisite intellectual equipment for the task," etc. That the control of our finances shall be put into the hands of a few tried and trained financiers who shall be removed absolutely beyond the influence

of popular clamor, " etc.

The tories of 1776, believed that it took 'expert ability of a rare kind" to exercise any of the rights of sovereignty; it took seven years of war to teach the rich the "well born" and the 'pedigreed families' of that day. that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights." "that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

It took the colonial experience, the seven years war and the confederation experience for our wise and far seeing forefathers to hand down a constitution whose preamble read, We, the people of the United States, • • * * to secure in order the blessing of liberty to ourselves

and posterity." etc. Now was not this liberty which they so prized and which they wanted to hand down inviolate to their chilhe-would give the gang a wide berth. If dren, freedom from the control of by accident he fell into their hands they our finances in the hands of a few our finances in the hands of a few tried and trained financiers who shall be removed absolutely beyond the influence of popular clauser." The 'economic administration of

our nation, the regulation of its currency and finances for the past twentyfive years will certainly fill the wishes of the writer. We have had congresses composed of millionaires, secretaries of the treasury who possessed the requisite intellectual equipments for the task," and presidents who followed as they led. All were removed from and uninfluenced by popular clamor, as shown by the manner in which they turned their deaf ear to all appeals for a greater volume Bright Scholar - One. - Kate Field's of currency, a flex be currency, a washington. could meddle, which could not be controlled by private corporations. Is it not true that the 'people at large' the great "common herd" have been crowded to one side, that they have endured the laws and financiering of the 'intellectually equipped prodigies' of this age until theusands of their numbers have become tramps; until nine millions of their homes have been mortgaged; until every week the question is "How many does Dunn & Co. say failed this week?"

Many, many of these "people at large" went to the polls year after year, voting for these "intellectual" one, that should cause them to band prodigies thinking their intellectuality together, to repel the oppressor's was wisdom, that when they saw the hand, to tear down the false gods effects of their methods, that their built upon the hills of freedom, to love for the land of the free. their conditions and perpetuate the libertles give the needed reforms, but have The writer says it is a . harmful de-

one, and they unite for the accomp- lusion that government has the power lishment of these ends. They appeal to create money." Pray who did creto you to stand by the common weal, ate money? Cod said nothing about to work for the equalities of social re- money in the ten laws he gave on Mt. lation, to realize conditions that will Sinal. The eleventh law, given by up a state where all can enjoy life and .. Do unto others as ye would they have an equal chance to live comfort- should do unto you" was his rule of that of right belongs to all, and one erer was around, Jesus took the for which every toiler should strive. money and looked at the stamp and That all do not enjoy it is because the said: 'Render unto Cæsar the things

I find in Smith's bible dictionary tests and manipulations of political par- that "by public authority the metals ties in their insane fights for supremacy used in traffic were given a certain and spoils. There should be an end mark a certain weight a certain deto this, and every industrialist should gree of alloy, to fix its value and save contribute his full share to bring it buyers and sellers the trouble of about. Every sentiment of justice weighing" as has been the custom. mands it. Brush dead issues out of tionary says that 'money is applied the way. Drive the godless money to whatever serves as a circulating changers who gamble our liberties medium including bank notes and away in Wall street from the seats of drafts." Weight says, "money is any power and place. There is room current token or representative of here for patriotism and courage to as- value." Loche said. "the value of sert our rights and lift the clouds that money is ascertained by the stamp, spread a pall over all our hopes and which is a public voucher." As these prospects. Let the spirit of justice lexicographers finished their life work and patriotism come to the rescue in before the 'passage of the legal tenthe halls of legislation and in the der act of '62." they surely could not way for a new era of peace, good-will not seem a great pity that the su-Stand together. Unite wherever it is as to render a decision upholding the may be a well grounded hope planted thereby deceiving the people at

·How many different telegraph com-Solon Chase, the owner of "Them panies do you think there are in this Steers," used to ask his fellow-citizens | country?" asked a well-posted electrigets the cotton?" or the boodle when Postal-because, if you want to send cotton rises, find an answer in the fol- a message, you have to use either one lowing story about John H. Inman of or the other, and all competition has New York and the balls and bears in closed. Not only that, but rates are

higher." Well, there are en record as having day when the cotton market was down accepted the government act, and volin the dumps, with a situation much untarily submitted to the right of the like that which new! prevails there postmaster general to fix rates no less came a sudden change over the market's than ninety-eight different companies. movements. Prices rose a little. The great majority of these are abso-Rears fushed with long success, lutely controlled by the Western Union deluged buyers with bales by the thou- but the organization is kept up and sand. Upward went the figures: over- the annual meetings belt with as much board went more bear offerings and regularity as that which attends the

For instance, the American Union Never was the bear contingent more blegraph company, which was organconfident of advantage. Never seemed ized by Mr. Sould to fight the West a buil campaign so hopeless. Not the era Union, and out of which he made cotton market alone, but all attending over \$10,000,000, has an organization

The Faulkner County Wheel: Thousomehow quotations were perverse; the sands of fermers and working people impossible calmly happened; cotton have had to take their children from rose daily, and rose largely, till the school to help form make a fiving by figures of the day when the tors came their labor, but the rich send their were more than doubled. Through children at the year, hence, as tion, but in the end there was no those better estageted. Let every a couple of months John H. Inman education the latter people asking for

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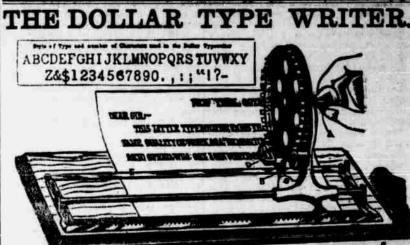
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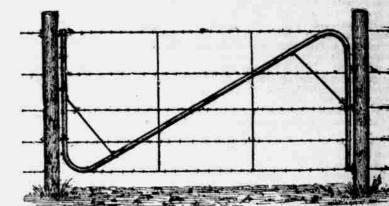


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SOUTHWESTERN STEEL POST CO.

Sr. Louis, Mo., Nov. 14, 1891. EUREKA GATE Co., Waterloo, Iowa. GENTLEMEN:-Your favor of the 12th inst. duly received. According to the description of the wire you have used, I would say, that it is just what we want. We have no wire nearer than N. Y., so you had better arrange for your own wire, unless your gates are so constructed that we can put on the wire without much trouble and you allow us the difference. Make our order seven ty-eight, including the one sent to Chicago instead of seventy-five as was ordered.

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By T. J. PROSSER, Pres. J. W. Hartley, Allliance State Agent has made arrangements these Gates Direct to Members of the Alliance at Factory Prices.

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