

Her Love Explained.
He—If you did not love me, why did you encourage me?
She—If I encourage you?
He—For two seasons you have accepted every one of my invitations to the theater, etc.
She—That was not because I loved you; it was because I loved the theater.

One of the best of housekeepers is the woman who hates dirt.

Crushing a rose always gives it a chance to speak louder and say more about itself.

The nation has no better friend than the mother who teaches her children to pray.

The world gives nothing in the way of treasure without sending trouble therewith.

People who wear loud clothes are doing their best to make up for some conscious lack.

What do you suppose angels think of the preacher who is always looking for an easy place.

It never does a preacher any good for the impression to get out that he is proud of his learning.

Some birds are so taken up with their bright plumage as to forget that they have very black feet.

No man ever gets to the top anywhere without being tried in fires that prove there is good metal in him.

Susan Porter, of Burlington, Me., tried to see how long she could exist without food. Fifty-two days of fasting she foolishly endured, and then died.

An immense fortune has been made by Peter Muller, in the preparation and sale of cod-liver oil. He employs 70,000 persons, on the Loffoden Islands off Norway.

Consider it "a household necessity," Mr. A. J. Whiting, Newton, Kansas, accentuates his opinion thus: "I have used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in my family for the last eight years and consider it a household necessity."

"Two heads are better than one," said the moralizer. "That's so," said the demoralizer, "particularly when you are matching dollars with head up."—Smith Gray & Co.'s monthly.

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ONLY A MURDERER.

If He Had Been a Horse Thief He Would Have Been Lynched.

It was in Texas' early days that a furious, howling mob, with grim, pitiless faces, led out a man to die. The rope had been thrown over a convenient branch of a cottonwood, and the victim of the crowd's lawless anger stood in its midst with pined arms and defiant expression on his pallid countenance, but every now and then his eyes would wander away over the prairie, as if remembering that never more would he sweep over its broad bosom with the fresh spring wind racing at his side, and to the blue sky overhead, looking his last on its placid beauty.

As his gaze went out over the prairie it lingered for a moment on a dark speck, growing larger every second, but which still might have been only a herd of cattle rushing in stampeded terror away from the corral. On came the speck, however, and a wild hope sprang up in the prisoner's breast that this might prove a diversion in his favor, so he spoke not, nor called the mob's attention to that hurrying object, and, keeping their relentless gaze fixed on him, they demanded a confession of his crime.

Why this was asked for is not clear. They were convinced of his guilt. Had he not been found riding a horse that the weak before had been stolen from one of their number, who had sworn to the animal? But this confession would serve as a topic of conversation for the next month in this region, where news was as scarce as railroads. The culprit had nothing to say. He had protested his innocence until, perceiving that it was merely a waste of breath, he had desisted, and now preserved a stolid silence. He could now see that the flying object was a man on horseback, and in another minute or two the rider dismounted in the midst of the crowd, who evidently recognized him, but in the awful solemnity of that moment had no time for further greeting of him than a curt nod or "Ho." The newcomer, accustomed to such scenes, gave the pined man a careless glance and inquired his offense. They told him briefly, pointing out the stolen horse, that stood by, still panting from the terrible ride across the prairie the prisoner had taken on his back. But as the arrival's eyes took in the animal, they wandered back to the man.

"Why, boys, this ain't no horse thief. I saw him buy that horse yesterday from a greaser out to Kerrville. He'd killed a man there, and the sheriff was coming to arrest him, and, being as the crime was cold murder, he thought he'd better light out."

A dozen hands were busy untying ropes that bound the man, apologies were showered upon him and twenty whisky flasks were thrust in his face with entreaties to drink and have no ill-will over the mistake.

The lovely doomed man accepted all with careless good nature, and the mob dispersed, while the visitor from "the old states" wondered the cheap rate human life was held at in this country, compared to the value of cattle and horses.—Free Press.

Old Age Had No Terrors for Her.
They were a company of congenial women before an open fire over a 5 o'clock tea, and one of them was saying how she hated to grow old and lose her zest in life and its bringings, says the New York Times. Then a fresh-faced matron, with a pair of steady, true eyes, spoke out with her native vehemence:

"Nonsense, what do the years bring but greater treasures and greater capacity to enjoy them? Do you suppose I guessed anything about real happiness in what we called 'youth's happy days'? Why, every year that I have been a wife and mother I have known constantly increasing joy; better and better appreciated what life offers me. Every day I value and delight in my friends more and more; every day I take on a wisdom of experience that gives me a sense of power against what may come, and as to the future and old age, why I shall never think of it to dread it. I shall not be old to-morrow, I say to myself, and what is the future but always only to-morrow? By and by, when I do sit in the chimney corner and knit and watch the children's children play around me, I am sure I shall think: How happy and safe am I, and what a beautiful thing life is, particularly the close of it!"

Where the Cat Was.
A few years ago a farmer stopped at a tavern. The landlady had got the pot boiling for dinner, and the cat was washing her face in the corner. The farmer took off the pot lid and put grimalkin into the pot with the potatoes, and then pursued his journey.

The amazement of the landlady may well be conceived when, on taking up her dinner, she discovered the addition that had been made to it. Knowing well the disposition of her customer, she had no difficulty in fixing on the aggressor, and she determined to be revenged. Aware that he would stop on his return for a cold bite, the cat was carefully dressed.

The wag called, and pussy was put upon the table, but was so disgusted that he did not know his old acquaintance. He made a hearty meal and washed it down with a glass of beer. After paying his bill he asked the landlady if she had a cat she could give him. She said she had not, for she had lost hers.

"What!" said he, "don't you know where she is?"
"Oh, yes," replied the landlady, "you have just eaten her!"

Most men are honest as far down as their underclothes, but you only meet one once in a while who is honest clear through.

Two Lawyers.

First Lawyer (angrily)—I've a good mind to sue you.

Second Lawyer—I shouldn't like anything better. There's only one trouble about two lawyers going to law. A lawyer can never do himself justice when he pleads his own case.

First Lawyer—That's easily fixed. I'll plead your case, and you plead mine.

The U. S. Government Blue Book mentions about 180,000 offices, the aggregate salaries pertaining to which amount to \$90,000,000. When a change is imminent, there are at least twenty persons who have eager eyes on each office.

A number of actors in this city have formed what they term a "parais club," the objects are sociability and jollification, and to provide a private hospital, where members suffering from softening of the brain can be treated.

"It shows an de face of it dat reglar actors ain't in it wid u pugilists; see? We can go on de stage and act when- ever we feel like it. But youse don't see no actors goin' in de prize ring, do yer?"

Indianapolis Journal: "Have you heard of Thompson's new scheme?"
"No. Tell us of it."
"He tells every woman of his acquaintance that she looks most graceful when standing up. Natural result: Not one of them will take his seat in a car when he offers it."

"You won't have the nerve to put up the price of ice next summer, will you?" asked the plain citizen.
"My friend," replied the ice dealer, "if your heart beat as mine does for the poor men who have to work on the ice ponds while the mercury is about zero, you would feel justified in getting the highest price possible as a recompense for their sufferings."

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Honesty Pays.
Jim—Honesty is ther best policy arter all.
Bill—How?
"Remember that dog I stole?"
"Yep."
"Well I tried two hull days to sell 'im an' no one offered more'n a dollar. So I went, like an honest man, an' guv him to the old lady what owned 'im, and she guv me fiva dollars."

Providential.
Teacher—Now, I have explained what "providential" means, and I want some of you to give me an illustration.
Bright Boy—Please, ma'am, I can.
"Very well. What is it?"
"The holes in a porous plaster."
"Hum! Why?"
"When they pull the plaster off the holes don't hurt."

Coughs, Colds, and Sore Throat quickly relieved by "Brown's Bronchial Troches," 25 cents a box.

Might be Worse.
Practical Father (angrily)—I am told that that young man who comes to see you writes poetry.
Daughter—Y-e-a, father, he does.
"Huh! Publishes it, too, I suppose?"
"No. No one will print it."
"Then there's some hope for him."

Got Things Mixed.
Mr. Suburb—Well, how are you getting along with my artesian well?
Contractor (despondently)—We are down 500 feet and haven't struck rock yet.

Mr. Suburb—Rock! Good lord! You've got things mixed. I told you to bore for water, man—water. I don't want a stone quarry.

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Wm. Wattles, of Wileysville, Me., committed suicide by hanging. Two weeks later his father, C. S. Wattles, drowned himself. Mrs. Joseph Wool, the last survivor of the family, a daughter of C. S. Wattles, hung herself a few days after the death of her father. Her mother and her father's mother were also suicides.

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Utilizing Slag.
The quantity of slag wasted by slag has been suggested projects for utilizing it in raising steam, but nothing practical has been obtained until recently. At a mine in New South Wales the molten slag is run into the bottoms of iron chambers that can withstand internal steam pressure, and jets of water are forced on the slag. In a short time the chambers are filled with steam that can be utilized in other parts of the works.

Brave From Necessity.
It is said that when a famous French general was obliged to retreat, as he and his aid-de-camp were fleeing before the enemy, he breathlessly inquired: "Who are your rear guards?" "The men who have the poorest horses, general," replied the aid, who was making good use of his spurs.—Argonaut.

Princely Italian Marriages.
When a marriage takes place in Italy in a princely family the bride and groom, after the religious ceremony, present themselves to the pope to receive the benediction. Then the young couple, in wedding costume proceed to St. Peter's alone, and kneeling on the bare flags before the statue of the "Prince of the Apostles," pray.

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A New York Dog Official.
The New York gas works board of directors recently appointed a dog as assistant superintendent of it works and a truly efficient officer he is. His name is Beauty and he made his appearance at the works some months ago, refusing to go away on any conditions. He has a curious habit, besides catching all the rats and mice about the building, of compelling a stranger to give up his portable property before departing.

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"And what answer do you make to my appeal?" he asked, as he knelt at her feet.
"James, I will be frank with you," she murmured.
"Oh, speak!" he implored, "and relieve me from this agony of suspense."
"Then let me tell you it cannot be."
"Why so? Oh, why not?"
"Because, James, I do not feel able to support a husband."—Texas Siftings.

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