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## Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

### THE REAL SECRET.

The secret of true happiness is not, as you might guess, in piles of gold and clammy gold Or bright and gaudy dress. Nor is it wholly in the mind. As argued by a few: If the digestion is O. K. The world cannot look blue.

Though business may be just as bad As it can be, or worse, And though expenses may be much Too high to match your purse, If your digestion does not flag Or sit around and pout You'll tackle your affairs and see The way to work them out.

And, even though you fall in love And fall out with a thud That jars the whiskers from your chin And names you Mr. Mud, When one long, sleepless night has passed The world will still look bright If with the loss of love you have Not lost your appetite.

There's nothing can go wrong for long Or push you to the wall If you sit up and notice when You hear the dinner call. Though trouble broods, there will for you Be no such word as fail If only three times in the day You can digest a nail.

Getting It Back.

### THE GIANTS' LOST



"Rollo is learning to talk English very nicely."  
"Learning? I thought he was a native."  
"He is, but he has been talking baseball all summer."

### Just Their Way.

"Those women hate each other."  
"Who told you so?"  
"Nobody. Saw it myself."  
"Mercy! Did they scratch?"  
"I should say not. They were killingly polite to each other."

### Escaped Easy.

"She made a fool of him."  
"That is not so bad."  
"No?"  
"She might have done worse."  
"How?"  
"Married him."

### Knew the Borrower.

"Would you sign a security note for a friend?"  
"That would depend on the friend."  
"I want to loan myself \$10, and it wouldn't be business to take a bare unsecured note."

### Explained All.

Some voters who were on the square Essayed to shift as they grew wise, And some who really didn't care Just changed their minds for exercise.

### WHERE WILL YER BE SATURDAY?



### Easy Mark.

"I wish I had never been born."  
"Why so desperate?"  
"Because in that case I am sure a lot of guys I know would have to work for a living."

### WHEN A WOMAN DRESSES—

She can hold seven hairpins in her mouth, her back hair in one hand and her front pompadour in the other, tell the maid what to say to the chance caller and hush the baby all at one and the same time.

She wonders why her nose always looks shiny and how on earth she ever got that blotch on her face. She is listening to what her husband says while she wonders.

She sees with her fingers and hears with her spinal column and so knows exactly how and when each patent fastener snaps into its proper place—or doesn't snap.

At the beginning she is absolutely certain that she hasn't a rag fit to wear, and nothing she has is becoming to her, anyway.

She declares that she just hates women who wear powder on their faces and then proceeds to paste the stuff all over her countenance, but she wipes it all off—albeit just a little bit.

She still insists that she hasn't a thing—no, not a thing—fit to wear; she just looks horrid in that dress.

### Estray Notice for Publication.

Taken up by the subscriber within incorporated limits of city of Alliance in Box Butte county, Nebr., on the 3d day of November, 1908, one, old, black mare with white stripe in face, and left hind foot white; one black gelding coming two years old with white star in face and snip on nose, both hind feet white; one steel gray mare three years old, white star in face. Owner may have same by paying for this local and feed bill.

C. A. LAING, City Marshal.

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That were \$1.50, now \$1.25  
That were \$1.25, now \$1.00  
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