

**On the Wrong Tack.**  
He aimed to be a statesman When he started out to work; He thought he'd be a Webster, A Macaulay or a Burke. For years he toiled obscurely In the interests of the state, But at last turned politician. So now he's rich and great.—Chicago Daily News.

**Perhaps That Is Why.**  
"When a doctor is ill he invariably calls in another physician to treat him, but one tailor never goes to another for a suit of clothes."  
"Well, a doctor who treats a doctor never sends a bill for his services."—Judge.

**IDENTIFIED AT LAST.**



"Pa, who was the old woman who lived in a shoe?"  
"She was originally a New York girl who married a Chicago shoemaker, and was left a widow without a home."—Harlem Life.  
**Not a Slip.**  
Her lover is her beau till they are wed,  
But after that he'll be her beau no longer;  
Nor is she sorry—bow-knots, be it said,  
Oft come untied, but marriage ties are stronger.—N. Y. Journal.

**Changed Her Mind.**  
Mildred—So you and Fred Burwick are engaged? I thought you said a few weeks ago that you wouldn't have him if he were the last man on earth.  
Jessie—I know I did, but they say that Frankie Jones and Gertrude Mills are both crazy for him.—Chicago Daily News.

**It Sounds Nice.**  
"I think," said Miss Elder, who had been reading the news from Wall street, "that if I were to go into stock trading I would be a short."  
"Why?" asked Miss Kittish.  
"Oh, the shorts are squeezed so often."—Town Topics.

**Given a Comprehensive Answer.**  
"Does he know anything?"  
"Know anything!"  
The tone was an answer in itself.  
"Know anything! Why, he's the kind of man who would hunt for a leak in a gas pipe with a candle."—Chicago Post.

**Effect of Environment.**  
"One of the tallest men I ever knew was a Rhode-Islander. He measured nearly seven feet in height."  
"Perhaps he had to grow that way. There was no room for him to spread out."—Chicago Tribune.

**Is Rather Circumscribed.**  
"The supreme court of Delaware has forbidden women to practice law in that state."  
"Well, any woman with the least bit of ambition would certainly want a wider field."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**Trusting Soul.**  
"Henry," said the anxious young wife, "I hear you muttering in your sleep that you had 'lost five bones.' If you feel that way, dear, why don't you go and see some good osteopathist?"—Chicago Tribune.

**Fast Travelling.**  
Miss Horty—Really, Mr. Drinkleigh, you ought to try ice yachting.  
Drinkleigh—Why?  
Miss Horty (significantly)—They say it takes one's breath away.—N. Y. Journal.

**A Beautiful Girl's Affliction.**

From the Republican, Versailles, Ind.  
The Tuckers, of Versailles, Ind., like all fond parents, are completely wrapped up in their children. Their daughter Lucy, in particular, has given them much concern. She is fifteen, and from a strong, healthy girl, three years ago, had become weak and kept falling off in flesh until she became a mere skeleton. She seemed to have no life at all. Her blood became impure and finally she became the victim of nervous prostration. Doctors did not help her. Most of the time she was confined to bed, was very nervous and irritable, and seemed on the verge of St. Vitus' dance.  
"One morning," said Mrs. Tucker, "the doctor told us to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which he brought with him. He said he was treating a similar case with these pills and they were curing the patient. We began giving the pills and the next day could see a change for the better."



The doctor came and was surprised to see such an improvement. He told us to keep giving her the medicine. We gave her one pill after each meal until eight boxes had been used when she was well. She has not been sick since, and we have no fear of the old trouble returning. We think the cure almost miraculous.  
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**MRS. FRANK TUCKER.**  
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**He Needed a Chaperone.**  
Just before a recent dinner given in honor of some magnate, a young swell, whose chief claim to distinction seemed to be the height of his collar and an eyeglass, addressing a stranger, said:  
"Beastly nuisance, isn't it? Spoke to that fellow over there—took him for a gentleman—and found he had a ribbon on his coat; some blooming head waiter, I suppose?"  
"Oh, no," replied the other; "that's Blank, the guest of the evening."  
"Dash it all, now, is it?" said the astonished swell. "Look here, old fellow, as you know everybody, would you mind sitting next me at dinner and telling me who everyone is?"  
"Should like to very much," replied the other man, "but you see I cannot, I'm the blooming head waiter!"—San Francisco Argonaut.

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**THE GENERAL MARKETS.**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22.

CATTLE—Best beefs.....	4 3/4 @ 5 1/2
Stockers.....	3 7/8 @ 5 00
Native cows.....	2 90 @ 4 10
HOGS—Choice to heavy.....	2 75 @ 4 10
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	2 75 @ 4 05
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	93 @ 95
No. 2 hard.....	83 @ 91
CORN—No. 2 mixed.....	27 @ 27 1/4
OATS—No. 2 mixed.....	25 @ 25 1/4
RYE—No. 2.....	44 1/2 @ 45
FLOUR—Patent, per barrel.....	4 65 @ 4 75
Fancy.....	4 25 @ 4 45
HAY—Choice timothy.....	8 00 @ 8 50
Fancy prairie.....	7 00 @ 7 25
BRAN (sacked).....	54 @ 55
BUTTER—Choice creamery.....	16 1/2 @ 18
CHEESE—Full cream.....	10 1/2 @ 11
EGGS—Choice.....	11 @ 11 1/4
POTATOES.....	50 @ 70

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE—Native and shipping.....	4 00 @ 4 70
Texas.....	3 50 @ 4 40
HOGS—Heavy.....	3 85 @ 4 15
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	4 00 @ 4 30
FLOUR—Choice.....	4 85 @ 5 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	92 @ 1 03
CORN—No. 2 mixed.....	26 @ 26 1/4
OATS—No. 2.....	24 @ 24 1/4
RYE—No. 2.....	49 1/2 @ 50
BUTTER—Creamery.....	15 @ 19 1/4
LARD—Western mess.....	4 90 @ 5 05
PORK.....	10 95 @ 11 03

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to prime.....	3 80 @ 5 60
HOGS—Packing and shipping.....	3 85 @ 4 17 1/2
SHEEP—Fair to choice.....	3 25 @ 4 60
FLOUR—Winter wheat.....	4 80 @ 4 90
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	1 03 1/4 @ 1 06
CORN—No. 2.....	30 @ 30 1/4
OATS—No. 2.....	22 1/2 @ 27 1/4
RYE.....	49 @ 49 1/4
BUTTER—Creamery.....	16 @ 19
LARD.....	5 12 1/2 @ 5 15
PORK.....	10 87 1/2 @ 10 92 1/4

NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Native steers.....	4 25 @ 5 10
HOGS—Good to choice.....	4 00 @ 4 60
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	1 06 @ 1 06 1/4
CORN—No. 2.....	31 @ 37 1/2
GATS—No. 2.....	37 @ 37 1/2
BUTTER—Creamery.....	14 1/2 @ 15
LARD—Mess.....	10 25 @ 10 50

**A GREAT TIDE OF PROSPERITY.**

**Canadian Loan Companies Getting Money on Mortgages That Had Been Written Off.**

Probably in the history of the continent there never was such a tide of prosperity enjoyed by any country as the Dominion of Canada is being favored with. That portion of Canada known as Western Canada is attracting thousands of people who are seeking homes on the arable lands of that new but rapidly developing country. Possessed of exceptionally good railroad privileges, the best school system in the world, churches in every small settlement, while in the towns and cities all denominations are represented, and with markets in close proximity to the grain fields, most of the requirements for a comfortable existence are met. The development that is now taking place in the mining districts gives an impulse to agriculture and good prices, with good crops, being about a state of affairs that the crowded districts of more populous centers are taking advantage of. The Associated Press dispatches a few days since had the following telegram:

Toronto, Feb. 4.—(Special)—Loan companies that made advances on Manitoba property years ago report that the returns from the west during the past three months have exceeded expectations. One company has taken from Manitoba over \$20,000 interest, and discharged mortgages many of which had been written off a year ago. Directors of the leading loan companies are taking a greater interest in the business of their institutions, and are inquiring into many properties on which advances have been made.

The climate in the Western provinces of Manitoba, Alberta, Assiniboia and Saskatchewan is excellent, there being no healthier anywhere. The Canadian government is now offering special inducements for the encouragement of settlers, and they have their agents at work throughout the United States for the purpose of giving information and distributing literature. Among those going to Canada are many ex-Canadians, who have failed to make as good a living as they expected in the United States.

**Gold Legally Defined.**  
Just before the rising of the law courts a case involving the playing of gold was heard, and a queen's counsel engaged in it thus described for the instruction of the judge the ancient and royal game: "I believe, my lord, that the game of gold is played in irregular fields or waste grounds with a small ball which the player tries to hit with a stick. If he succeeds in hitting the ball he spends the remainder of the day in looking for it. That, as I am informed, my lord, is the game of gold."—London Telegraph.

**From Baby in the High Chair**  
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Pleasure soon palls when it costs nothing.—Ram's Horn.

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**Disqualified.**  
"Oh, yes, Miss Birdling is a cultivated singer, but she will never pass for a great artist, you know."  
"And why not, pray?"  
"Because she can sing in nothing but English."  
"Oh, dear! Is that so?"  
"Yes, and it is abominably good English, too. You can understand every word she says."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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**Preparing for Trouble.**  
"Have you de ring, Mistah Johnson?"  
"No, sah, I ain't got no ring. Fac' is, pahson, I done expect trouble wid some o' my credits, an' I put up de ring foh 75 cents so's I wouldn't have no vallerables on my pusson. I spec' it'll be 'bout de same thing if Lucindy puts her finger troo a hole in the ticket. Thank you, pahson."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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Humbug—A bug that always preys upon the unwary.—Chicago Daily News.  
Whispers and runaway teams make the break-ups.—Ram's Horn.



**Not Just as He Meant.**  
"Johnson" wants to borrow some money on me. Do you know anything about him?"  
"I know him as well as I do you. I wouldn't let him have a cent."—Indianapolis Journal.

**One of Life's Mysteries.**  
Though every man upon the earth Has troubles of his own, Few have enough to make them leave The other chap's alone.—Chicago Journal.

**Psychology.**  
"I don't believe it's possible for two people to think of the same thing in one moment."  
"You wait until you owe your tailor a bill, and meet him in the street."—Pick-Me-Up.

**He Owes Them to Her.**  
May—They say a man always kisses his wife a great deal during the honeymoon.  
Belle—Well, he ought to—to make up for the other fellow's kisses she has given up.—Town Topics.

**Her Choice.**  
"And you say that Winnifred Meredith married a man of letters?"  
"Yes; her husband has his sign-painting establishment up over my store."—Chicago Daily News.

**Merely a Guess.**  
Mrs. Grumpy—Why are the doctors hunting about and discovering so many new diseases?  
Grumpy—Trying to find something that they can cure.—Detroit Free Press.

**When It Is Effective.**  
Blinks—Moral suasion is a great thing.  
Vinks—Provided, of course, you've lots of physical force to back it up.—Town Topics.

**Slightly Egotistical.**  
She—Don't you think that you are a little in love with yourself?  
He—That's because I think so much of you. I am naturally fond of anything that you are fond of.—Boston Transcript.

**At 11:15 P. M.**  
"Farewell! Farewell!" he cries in pain, His arms enfold her tight; His kisses fall like autumn rain Upon her forehead white; For he knows he'll see her not again Until to-morrow night!  
—Up-to-Date.

**A MODERN WASHINGTON.**



"No, mamma, I cannot tell a lie; I sampled all the jam."  
**Bargain Counter.**  
In silks, and furs, and feathers fine, With eagerness intense, Behold them stand all day in line, To save eleven cents.—Chicago Tribune.

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that kill are not distinguished by any mark or sign from coughs that fail to be fatal. Any cough neglected, may sap the strength and undermine the health until recovery is impossible. All coughs lead to lung trouble, if not stopped. Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Cures Coughs.

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