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GOING TO THE FAIR.

How a Cynic Proposes to Enjoy Himself Through the Papers.

"If you see any good articles on the World's fair," said the cynic, "or hear of any good exhibits around here which are going to be sent there, just let me know about them, please."

"Much interested in the fair?" asked the other.

"Very much," he answered dryly.

"Going to study it all up before you go, so that you can see and examine things intelligently?"

"Exactly."

"Aren't you afraid it will detract from your pleasure?"

"Not in the slightest."

"Don't you think that half the pleasure of such things consists in the anticipation and the other half in the surprise, the novelty of the thing?"

"Not a bit."

"So you are grinding up on it already, as we used to say in college when we were getting ready for examination."

"Yes, sir, that's what I'm doing. If there is anything about the buildings there that I don't know, I'd like to hear about it. I can tell you the square feet in every one of them. I have studied all the maps and diagrams of the grounds and can redraw all the buildings for you. I know where every statue is going to be and who made it and what it is supposed to represent. I can describe all the facades, all the friezes, the entablatures, the columns and all the other architectural features."

"I am an expert regarding the marbles and the bronzework. I can give you all the measurements of the silver statue. I know what and who are going to be in the German, the Swiss, the Russian and the Swedish villages. I have taken account of every case of exhibits that has come from Spain. I have a carefully prepared list of the exhibit from the Vatican. I am familiar with the collections of armor which have come from foreign nations for the fair. I know all about the jewels which are going to be shown there. I can even tell you where the peanut stands and refreshment counters will be on the grounds."

"Well," said the other, "you are an enthusiast. I suppose that a man who is so interested as you in the fair will put in almost all summer at the big show. You certainly have made a good start."

"I flatter myself that I am doing pretty well," said the World's fair expert.

"And you are still hungry for more knowledge?"

"Want every bit I can get."

"When do you expect to go to the fair?"

"My dear friend, were you ever in Chicago in the summer?"

"Yes, I've been there."

"Were you ever in a hotter place?"

"It is pretty warm sometimes. Oh, I see you aren't going till fall, so you want to be able to go through the whole business in short order—say in a couple of weeks in October, when it's cool and pleasant."

"Pleasant, eh? Don't you know that everybody will go in the fall to miss the hot weather? Were you ever in a Chicago crowd? Do you think I want to be torn to pieces? Do you think I want to stay at a hotel where they'll sleep 60 in a room? Do you think I want to stand around a dining room for three hours waiting for a chance to get a seat at a table? Do you think I am going to get up at 3 o'clock in the morning to get room on a street car when I want to go anywhere? Do you think I want to engage cabs six months in advance at \$125 a day? Go in the fall? I guess not."

"Of course. I see. Going in the spring?"

"Going in the spring?" howled the New York man. "Going in the spring when Chicago is a breeding place for malaria and typhus fever, when a man's life is in danger every time he fills his lungs with Chicago air, when life wouldn't be worth living under any circumstances? Not exactly this spring."

"Well, when are you going then?"

"When am I going? Do you know how I'm going to the World's fair? About the 1st of July I'm going to start for the fair, only I'm going to a quiet place on the sea shore. I'm going to swim, fish, sail and take life easy. I'm going to read the papers once in awhile, just to see how people out there in Chicago are suffering. I am going to gain 45 pounds. About Sept. 1 I'm coming home fat and contented to gloat over the miserable wrecks that have got back from Chicago. I am going to tell them how I enjoyed the fair. I'll know all about it—more than they will know. I'll declare the fair was a perfect success. Nobody will ever know that I was not there. I'll be in good health and about \$1,000 in pocket. That's the way I'm going to the fair. And as for patriotism—well, that's the kind of a patriot I am."—New York Tribune.

GARDENING.

Gladys got some garden seeds. Trusting little maid. Picked them out with greatest care. Talked about them everywhere. Planted them with earnest prayer. And a little spade.

Then there came a fall of snow. And a solid freeze. Gladys, taken by surprise. Bravely dried her brimming eyes. Sent around for new supplies. Warranted to please.

Hardly were they in the ground. When a busy hen. Seeking sustenance, laid bare. All the cause of so much care. Gladys wished that she could swear. And began again.

What the next mishap will be. Gladys doesn't know. But if patient labors pay. In her garden plot some day—It is doubtful though.

—Someville Journal.

A Good Reason.

When a visitor overstays his welcome, the people of New England say, "He makes us twice glad—glad when he comes; glad when he goes." A worthy citizen of Westfield, Mass., once put it even more strongly than that to a guest.

One of the Deweys of Westfield removed to the Black river country, but every fall he was accustomed to bring his family back to pay a long visit to his well-to-do relatives.

On one occasion after a prolonged stay he was surprised to see his host in the corner weeping.

"Why, Cousin Tim," said he, "what ails you?"

"You'll never come down to see me any more!" the host replied.

"Oh, yes, I will, Cousin Tim. I'll surely come next fall."

"No, you won't. Something tells me you won't."

"Nonsense!" said the visitor. "What has put such a notion into your head? Haven't we always come down and spent the winter with you? Come, cheer up, Cousin Tim! Cheer up, and tell me what makes you think so."

The grieving host blew his nose, wiped his eyes, and turning his solemn face to his sympathizing guest said, "Cause you'll never go away!"—Youth's Companion.

An Optical Illusion.



"Kate, what's become of the porous plaster I left in that desk?"

"Porous plaster? Why, I thought it was one of those new postage stamps, and I put it on a letter to ma."—Life.

The Next Thing.

"These inventors are great people," said Mrs. Hicks. "I dare say they'll invent a machine to spank children with yet."

"Very likely," said Hicks. "They've already invented torpedoes by means of which small boys have been blown up."—Harper's Bazar.

A Dull Trip.

First Pullman Porter—You look down in de mouf, Brudder Jones. What's de matter?

Second Pullman Porter—I has cause ter be, sah. My ear on de las' trip contained no less dan t'ree millionaires.—Truth.

Let Off Easy.

"You have had many severe trials, I dare say," said the tender-hearted housewife.

"Yes'm," answered Rusty Rufus, spearing another cold potato with his fork, "but on account of my youth I've generally got off purty light."—Chicago Tribune.

Horrible!

"Johnny, what yer cryin' about?"

"Mother's goin to punish me,"

"Pickin'?"

"Naw, worse. She's g'oin to cut my hair."—Washington Star.

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