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What's the Use?
What's the use of crying
When there's many a chance to smile?
What's the use of sighing
When the sun shines all the while?
What's the use of groaning
When you have a chance to sing?
What's the use of moaning
When the fields their harvests fling?

What's the use of waiting
For old trouble to beset?
What's the use of berating
Sorrows that you'd best forget?
What's the use of repining
When there's lots of work to do?
What's the use of whining
When the work is up to you?

What's the use of squealing
When your plans are put to rout?
What's the use of feeling
Like you'd been put down and out?
What's the use of waiting
For results you can't avoid?
What's the use of hating
When there's love that's unalloyed?

What's the use of scowling
When a smile will clear the way?
What's the use of growling
When good cheer brings better pay?
What's the use of bewailing
Things that can not be undone?
What's the use of hailing
Fears already on the run?

September

The melancholy days have come,
And weighed with woe my soul;
The winter time will soon be here,
And still I've bought no coal.

Funny, isn't it, how a lot of union men who always insist on having the label on the clothing, shoes, hats, tobacco and shirts, never think about demanding the label on the party candidates.

Funny, did we ask? That isn't exactly the word we want to use.

Mutiny

"Had an awful time at the asylum yesterday."

"What was the matter?"
"All the patients in straight jackets in the female ward went out on strike for puffed sleeves and buttons behind."

John D. Rockefeller has written a charming letter to the members of the American Press Humorists' association, incidentally reminding them that he is a member.

Of course it would be unprofessional to write jibes about a brother member.

Depends on the Kind

Springfield, Mass., offers a prize of \$500 for the best scheme for advertising the city.

What kind of advertising?
If any old kind will do, there is the kind that three other Springfields have had in the last year or two.

Quite Intelligible

School began last Monday, and little Dorothy was all excitement. Owing to the fact that mamma had something important on hand Dorothy was a little late in getting started and was sorely afraid she would

be tardy. When she came home at noon mamma asked:
"Were you tardy this morning?"
"No, mamma; but if I hadn't been a minute sooner I would have been late."

Wanted Particulars

"What I need is a change of air," growled Colonel DeMillyuns.
"Spell it, please," exclaimed Paynter Uppe, his nephew.

Police!

"Does a tree think?" inquires a German scientist. Don't know, mein herr; suppose you get some accommodating woodchopper to ax it. Well?—Washington Herald.
One thing about the incubation of a joke like this—it doesn't take long to hatchet. Huh!

The Oklahoma City Times says that all the banks might close at once, and then asks, "What would become of a guarantee fund in that case?"

Yes, and everybody might die on the same day, and then what would we do for undertakers?
Horrible thought!

The Ownership of the Ox

Swinging about in his revolving chair the manager of the great manufacturing concern addressed his private secretary, saying:

"Have you posted up in the factory those notices that if my candidate is not elected the whistle will not blow the morning after election?"

"Yes, sir."
"What do the men say about it?"
"I haven't heard them say anything, but they are talking among themselves."

"All right; let 'em talk. But you take care that they learn that I mean it. Now you send for a reporter on the Morning Smudge. I want to give him an interview and tell the public what I think about the anarchistic attempt of that man Gompers to deliver the labor vote to the opposition."

Parody's Hall of Fame

Maud Muller, as she raked the hay
Beneath the trees,
For endless gaglets paved the way,
And parodies.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

And Paul Revere, since when he rode
So fast and hard,
Has been the theme of many an ode
By every bard.
—New York Mail.

And Hiawatha, don't forget
This gent of note;
For he has often helped, you bet,
The toiling pote.
—Nashville Tennessean.

Abou Ben Adhem, too, by jinks!
Has many times
Helped out the gazabo who thinks
He's writing rhymes.

Poor Man

"No, mum," complained Everette Ease, "I can't get no work at my profession."
"Poor man! What is your line of business?"
"I'm a wireless dispatcher of airship lines."

Opportunity
Having listened quietly while the injunction writ was read to us, at its conclusion we asked:

"What can we do?"
"You must obey the writ, and in the meanwhile confine your efforts to having the law under which it was issued repealed."

"And if we try to have the law repealed, what then?"
"O, you will be jailed for contempt of court."

Having had the matter thus fully explained we were left to ponder. Pondering, by the way, was about all that was left for us to do, under the terms of the writ.

"There are no striking issues in the present campaign," says the Washington Herald.

Possibly because of a fear of an injunction in case of a strike.



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