Nell Explains.

DEAR TEDDY—
The morning's delicious,
The sunbeams are dazzlingly bright,
The dear little sparrows chirp gayly;
Forgive me for flirting last night,
But Bruno Seabergh—(isn't "Bruno"
The funniest kind of a name?
P'A bear," and he looks something like one)—
For my conduct was greatly to blame,
He told me—and you were so huffy
You flew off to Laura Van Ness;
(*Her* charms I never could discover,
With eyes just as green as her dress)—
That I thought—so I—Ted, dear you shouldn't
You do not look well in a rage.
And Charley—I mean Mr. Marshall—
I hadn't seen him in an age,
And the flowers that Arthur Lee gave me—
Now, Teddy, I beg you be good,
I've explained *every* thing, I am sure, dear,
And hope you have quite understood;
And I'll *vow* that in future I'll never—
And if I *am* naughty again—
'Tis the loveliest day for a drive, Ted,
You'll find me all ready at ten.

—*Margaret Eytinge.*

Naming the Twins.

A friend of Butterwicks, who staid at his house a short time after the twins were born, overheard the following conversation between the fond parents one night after all hands had retired. He was in the adjoining room.

Mrs. B.—What shall we call the twins, Henry dear?

Mr. B.—O I dunno; almost any good names. How would Moses and Aaron do, or Cain and Abel?

Mas. B.—You ought to be ashamed of yourself to want to name one of your own children after a murderer! you might have hunted the whole Bible through without finding anything worse!

B.—O well, call them Shadrach, Meshac and Abednego, then.

Mrs. B.—You know very well that there are only two twins, and that they can't have three names divided equally between them. I hate scripture names anyhow. I want to call them after some distinguished man.

B.—Well, name one of them Butler and the other Schurz.

Mrs. B.—I'd rather die on the spot than have a child of mine named after an undergarment.

B.—How'll Bismarck and Gutakoff suit you?

Mrs. B.—Butterwick, you know I can't abide those German names. You would inflict a curse on your innocent boy if you would send him through the world with such a name as Gutchakoff Butterwick—you know very well you would. I prefer an American name—one that belongs to this country.

B.—Very well, then call one of 'em Spotted Tail, and the other Hole-In-The-Day. Those are indigenous to this continent.

Mrs. B.—Mr. Butterwick, if you are going to turn the subject into ridicule I will get up and dress myself and go down stairs. You shan't insult me to my face anyhow. You know well enough that I meant some white American names.

B.—How would Smith and Jones answer?

Mrs. B.—I'd rather bury both of them in one grave. Why don't you suggest some distinguished American name?

B.—O, all right, there's Benedict Arnold, and Martin Van Buren.

Mrs. B.—They shall never have those names with my consent.

B.—How about Adams?

Mrs. B.—That's only one name and there are two babies.

B.—Well, call one "A" and the other "Dams."

Mrs. B.—Mr. Butterwick, if you use language like that again, I'll go home to my mother's this very night.

B.—Well, then, if you must have the names of celebrated Americans, call one "Tilly Slowboy" and the other "Toodles."

Mrs. B.—Were they prominent men?—I don't remember of having heard about them before.

B. Why, my dear, they both signed the Declaration of Independence, and Slowboy was Vice President under Washington. If you want straight out Revolutionary patriots, those are your men.

Mrs. B.—What did Mr. Toodles do?

B.—Louisa, I am surprised at your ignorance! Don't you know that he commanded the army at Valley Forge?

Mrs. B.—I don't think much of their names, anyhow; name over some others.

B.—Lemme see. There's Mephistopheles, and——

Mrs. B.—What did you say he did?

B.—Why he commanded the frigate Constitution in the war of 1812, and he was killed while nailing the American flag to the mast.

Mrs. B.—And you want to name one of your children after him?

B.—Certainly. Why not? Noble old patriot! did he not die in defense of—— Why, Louisa, what are you going to do?

Mrs. B.—Why, I'm going to quit this house, and take the twins with me and stay away forever. I know just as well as you do that Mephistopheles is another name for the devil. I've seen him at the opera. It's perfectly infamous for you to suggest such a name for your own flesh and blood. I don't believe in your Slowboys or your Toodles, either. I'm certain that you've been telling scandalous stories, and now I'm going to leave.

Then Butterwick was heard to use a persuasive tone with Mrs. B., and finally she made it up with him. The twins were eventually baptised by the names of John and Henry.—*Max Alder in New York Weekly.*

A Ludicrous Mistake.

Some ludicrous mistakes are narrated about the occupants of the suites of rooms at the National Hotel, Washington, which opened upon the little halls, uniform in appearance, connected by long corridors, and which were furnished alike. One night Senator Mangum, of North Carolina then President protem of the Senate, a dignified gentleman of the old school, had returned from a party, when Governor Upham a Senator from Vermont came in without any ceremony, and took a seat. The two chatted away on politics, etc., until the clock struck one. 'Really, Governor Upham' said Mangum, 'I am always pleased to see you but I believe it is getting very late.' 'I have thought so for some time,' replied Upham, but made no movement. The half hour sounded, and Mangum remarked: 'I thought Governor Upham, that you had decided to go to bed, sir?' 'So I had, Mr. President,' answered the Vermonter, yet he did not budge. Mangum stared at him in amazement, and at last said: 'But why don't you go to your room? It will soon be two o'clock.' 'My room Mr. President, why this is my room, and I have been waiting for you to go away for two hours past.' Mangum sprang to his feet looked into the sleeping-room adjacent, and found that he was in Upham's room instead of his own.

A Sharp Woman.

Not long ago a young man and his newly-made wife went to Chicago to pass the first days of their honeymoon in viewing the sights of the city. For a time nothing but pleasure came to them, but in an evil hour the husband fell in with one of the many confidence men who infest the city, and by him was introduced to a select company of the swindlers. The sharpers played their usual game, and one evening the husband found himself without money. His currency being gone to fill the pockets of the swindlers, there was nothing left but to tell his wife and make the best of it. The wife suggested an application to the police, but the husband shrunk from making his foolishness public. Before he had lost his money the husband had purchased tickets for one of the theaters, and though hardly feeling in the mood for amusement, the couple decided to use them. They were hardly seated when the husband whispered to his wife, 'There's the man who robbed me,' and without attracting any attention, pointed the sharper out to her. With a woman's quickness she at once decided on a plan of procedure. She told her husband to leave her and take a seat in a remote part of the house. There was something in her manner that compelled obedience, and he followed her directions. The confidence man in surveying the house noticed the lady sitting alone, and he also noticed that she was fair to look upon. His frequent glances at her were returned, and emboldened by her seeming acquiescence he took the seat beside her. They engaged in conversation, and when the performance was concluded he offered to escort her to her hotel. She accepted, and when they had arrived, in response to a hint from him, she invited him to her room. Once there he proposed a bottle of wine, and when it was brought displayed a generous roll of greenbacks in paying for it. The lady made some excuse and left the room. In the hall she met her wondering husband to whom she made known the situation. She then returned and found the wine opened. Just as they were raising the glasses to their lips, the husband burst in. Without a word of parley he seized the confidence man, and after choking him till he was past resistance, took the money from his pocket, counted out the amount he had gained by the robbery in the afternoon, and then kicked him out of the room. The sharper concluding that discretion was the only means of safety, hastily quit the house without making any trouble. The wife, of course, fainted after it was all over.

'A Lover' writes us: 'Suppose I see a young lady home from church, and the night is dark and rainy, and upon arriving at her house she darts through the door without saying as much as 'good night,' leaving me standing outside—what would you advise me to do in such a case?' You had better start for home immediately. Under no circumstances should you stand on the steps of the young lady's house all night. It would be preferable to crawl into the nearest friendly store box, and wait for daylight to appear or the rain to disappear.—*Norristown Herald.*

The British *Quarterly Review*, in an article on the 'Genius of Islam,' after expressing the opinion that Islam has a keen tenacity of life and will die hard, says: 'But none the less do all the omens point clearly to its dissolution. Everywhere it is mixed up with a decaying civilization in which it is itself the strongest principle of decay; and it is imbedded in forms of society which are being rapidly left behind as the wrecks of the past by the progress of the civilized world.' This is not flattering to Turkey.

This is the brief tale the Hazleton, Pa., *Sentinel* tells:

A tramp stopped at the house of Philip Harris, in Coleraine, and was given something to eat. Noticing that John Harris, aged eighteen, was blind in one eye, he told him to cut a sour apple in two and rub the cut edges on the eye. The young man did as he was told and regained his sight. He had not been able to see out of the eye for seven years.

The Central Pacific Railrod Company has lately arranged to have 40,000 Eucalyptus Globulus trees set out along the 500 miles of the right of way of the company. This is the first installment—it will require about 800,000 trees for the 500 miles of valley where they are to be cultivated. The object is to increase the humidity of the region, and lessen the liability of droughts.

It is interesting to sit in a flour store now as the proprietor receives a dispatch, and yells, 'They're throwin' shells across Grassacoralichzefflin varina, an' some one's goin' to get hurt. Turn out, all hands and mark every danged bar'l up half a dollar.'

Turkish Names.

Sultan—The sovereign of the Turkish Empire—the recognized organ of all executive power in the State. His headquarters are at Constantinople.

Porte—The Government of the Turkish Empire.

Sublime Porte—The official name of the government, so called from the gate of the Sultan's palace.

Grand Vizier—The chief minister of the Turkish Empire.

Divan—The Turkish Council of State—the 'cabinet.'

Grand Mufti, Sheik-ulls-lam—The chief interpreter of the Mohamedan law ond head of the 'wise men'—jurists, theologians and literati, who assemble for consultation on his order. He is mostly styled the Chief of the Faithful. A writer says a fetwa or decree from him would summon around the standard of the Prophet all the fanatical hordes of Islam to fight to the death against the 'Infidels,' in the firm belief that death on the battle field is a sure passport to Paradise.

Pasha—Governors, Viceroys, commanders, civil and military rulers of provinces.

Dey—About the same as Pasha.

Sheik—The name given the heads of Arabian tribes or clans. It means elder, or eldest in dignity and authority.

Osmandi—A Turkish official.

Islam—The religion of Mohommed.

Islams—Mohammedans themselves.

Mussulman—A follower of Mohammed,

Ottoman Empire—Another name for the Turkish Empire, and derives its name from Osman, its founder.

Osmanlis—The Turks proper.

Not all followers of the Prophet are Turks. In European Turkey there are in round numbers, five millions of Mohammedans, less than half of whom are Osmanlis, the rest being of Slavonic descent, but none the less ardent worshipers of Islam.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

A newspaper correspondent writes from Texas: 'Apples cannot be grown here, and while cabbage and potatoes grow luxuriantly, they will rot within two weeks after being taken out of the ground. Residents of cities dare not allow grass to grow in the yards around their residences for fear of furnishing hiding places for tarantulas and centipedes. And at present I can say that I have not tasted a well cooked beaf-steak since I have been in the State, and more than half the time have not had milk enough to color coffee, to say nothing of the utter impossibility of having any to drink.'

A story is told of a shrewish Scotch woman who tried to wean her husband from the public house by employing her brother to act the part of a ghost and frighten John on his way home. 'Who are you?' said the guidman, as the apparition rose before him from behind a bush. 'I am auld Nick,' was the reply. 'Come awa', mon,' said John, nothing daunted; 'gi's a shake o' your hand; I am married to a sister o' yours.'

Coffee grounds are found to have a singularly powerful effect as a manure, and are well adapted to the limited space of small vegetable gardens, owing to the large percentage of nitrogenous material they contain. The analysis of the coffee-bean shows that it contains large percentages of potash, soda, magnesia and phosphoric acid.

Music has a wonderful power over the passions. The man who couldn't set a tub out under the eves to catch rain water for his wife without grumbling in a most profane way, stood for half an hour in the rain without an umbrella and listened to the minstrel band on the hotel plazza with a face in docile repose.—*Danbury News.*

Frequent hoeing or cultivating promotes the health of plants, because the more thoroughly the soil is pulverized the greater its power of absorption. The action of the hoe increases the attraction for moisture, encourages the circulation of atmospheric and nutritive gases, and thus adds to the fertility of the soil.

A Milwaukee man tried the effects of blue glass on a link of bologna sausage. In five minutes it commenced to hump in the middle; in ten the word 'ma-ri-ar' was distinctly heard, and in fifteen the cat was himself again and out on the top of the woodhouse roof.

To make good hard soap, take six pounds sal sodo, four gallons water.—Put this together and let it come to the boiling point; let it settle and pour off; add one half pound borax, six pounds grease; then pour it into dripping tins. Let it cool and cut into bars.

The city council of Portsmouth, N. H., have voted to exempt from taxation for ten years any manufactory of of any material whatever which may be located in the city, provided the capital invested shall exceed $5,000.

"Postal-Card Proposals!" read Miss Pert, indignantly, from the Washington news. "If a man has not got stamps enough for a letter, he has not got stamps enough to get married. 'No cards' for me, if you please."

A witty French lady who was an 'adopted' member of a famous military corps, when a cigar was lighted in her presence with the remark, 'I suppose they smoke in your regiment?' said, 'Yes, but not in my company.'

The little town of Salem, N. C., ships annually one million pounds of dried blackberries to Chicago. It costs one cent per pound to deliver them there, where they are sold at fifteen cents a pound.

Carl Schurz looks up at the White House and says: 'There'll be no more lager there.'

Agricultural Notes.

The best preventive for fever and ague is thorough drainage.

Less than eight per cent. of the area of the United States is under cultivation.

The second growth of wood makes better fuel and timber than the first growth.

Farmers in Travis county, Texas, are about to commence cutting their oats.

In France parsnips are made an economical substitute for oats in feeding horses.

Forty-two hundred barrels of flour were shipped from Minneapolis one day last week.

A dark colored bug is making a heavy raid on grasshoppers in Minnesota, much to the joy of farmers.

Hon. Smith Wright of Vermont, goes strong on poultry. He is now feeding for market 3,800 geese, 2,800 turkeys, and 1,400 ducks.

Borers work in the currant bushes. They are in the heart. Hunt them up, if found cut them out if it takes the whole bush.

The Supreme Court of Iowa has lately decided that farmers having wheat stored in warehouses and elevators along railroads, have to run the risk of fire, and not the owner of the elevator.

Since Jan. 1, 1877, the sales of dairy products at the Elgin board of trade amounts to $391,597.38, a larger amount than the total sales of the first two years of its existence.

Eleven head—ten bulls and one cow—of Channel Island cattle, from the herd of Mr. W. Bolton, lately sold at auction in England, brought an average of £150 per head.

A law of Kansas compels the women of that State, as well as the men, to turn out and kill the grasshoppers at the call of the road overseers, or pay $1 per day for their absence.

Charles Riddle, an English farmer, has in his possession a cow aged fourteen years, which has produced twenty-one calves, having had twins nine times and single calves three times.

Mr. Blunt, in the *Country Gentleman*, says that on each stool of wheat there is but one stalk that bears seed and that the centre one. The grain from it keeps up the standard, and seed from the other stalks deteriorates and runs the crops out.

Mr. Lewis, of King William county Virginia, is planting this year seven hundred acres of tomatoes. As this is one of the eastern counties in Virginia, Mr. Lewis is evidently preparing for a long extra session of Congress.

Farmers who grow turnips can get the best seed by setting out the roots very soon. They will mature their seeds in season for the main crop, and besides, the seeds will, in all probability, be good. But it is necessary to change seed occasionally.

When the canker attacks a fruit tree, causing the bark to loosen, the best remedy is to cut off the diseased limb with a fine saw and cover the end or place of excision with grafting wax. This will prevent the escape of sap, and serve to check the progress of disease.

Green clover makes better returns as cattle food than the hay made from it, because in the process of drying many of its vegetable particles are so hardened that the digestive organs are unequal to the task of assimilation. Steaming clover hay improves its feeding qualities.

Mr. H. C. Jordan, of Wapello county, Ia., has received his medal and diploma for the best corn exhibited at the Centennial. It is stated that Mr. Jordan last year raised about twelve thousand bushels of corn on a farm of twelve hundred acres in the southeast corner of Wapello county.

Rennet curdles milk because it contains an acid, either natural or artificial, which possesses the properties of coagulation. In Holland muriatic acid is used to produce rennet; but the natural curdler of milk is the gastric juice of the the sucking calf's stomach in which milk is as rapidly coagulated as it is sucked.

Capt. Kimberly, while riding a horse in Denver, was thrown. One of his feet caught in the stirrup, and he was dragged. In that terrible plight he saved himself by drawing his knife and stabbing the beast to death.

A party of Chicago girls were out jumping the rope on the prairie recently, and an unsophisticated Eastern man, who passed over the ground shortly after, thought there had been a buffalo fight there.—*Andrew's Bazaar.*

It is easy enough to drink from a two-quart pitcher if one will go at it right, but scarcely any one discovers the right way until after the water has commenced to pour down behind his shirt-collar.

If a woman marries a proof-reader she must expect to be constantly corrected.—*Pittsburg Leader.* For the same reason, we suppose that a woman who marries a printer must expect to be set up.

A man made a bet that he could ride a fly-wheel in a saw mill, and as his widow paid the bet, she remarked, 'William was a kind husband, but he didn't know much about fly-wheels.'

The Egyptians represented the year by a palm tree, and the month by one of its branches; because it is the nature of the tree to produce a branch every month.

The best scouring powder for keeping tinware bright, is the fine, white, soft ashes from hard or soft coal. The polish produced is remarkably bright and permanent.

The Rochester *Express* perpetrates the following: Buck beer'll (hic) make a fell'r (hic) goat ewe sheep!

Sec'y Schurz has appointed P. W. Norris, of Michigan, a Yellowstone National Park policeman. He is to keep the Indians off of the grass.—*N. Y. Telegram.*

Many persons complain that they cannot find words for their thoughts, when the real trouble is that they cannot find thoughts for their words.

Lots of young American doctors are seeking positions in the Turkish armies. They will make the turks hate the Christians worse than ever.

One of the severest penalties to which criminals in Holland were in ancient times condemned, was to be deprived of the use of salt.

A man in San Francisco has paid $700 for kissing the family seamstress, yet people will persist in saying that prices are going down.

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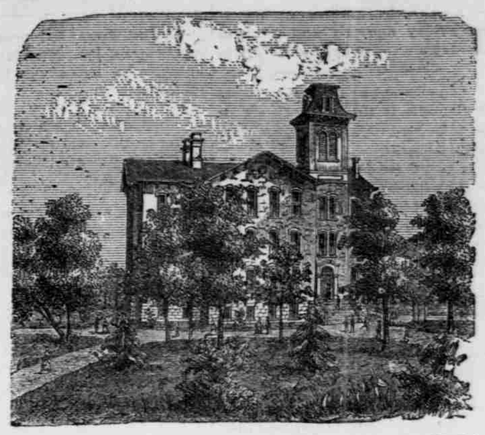

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