

Susquehanna. O, isn't that nice.

News Man. And he thinks lots more of base ball than he does of the faculty

Bl. Girl. We want you to run the Uni!

Teddy. Typical student, now owner of the Uni. — Well, I like that. Who has been running it if I haven't?

Enter sheriff and deputy

Sheriff. Sir, I seize the institution and arrest you along with the buildings, grounds, fences and traditions

Teddy. Can't touch him, Bill. He's no longer one of the traditions. I'm it now.

Sheriff. What does this fellow mean?

Acting Chanc. The university has been turned over into his hands so that it cannot be seized by you. I will now retire from this Chaceller business permanently.

Sheriff. I don't care for your bluffing story. I'll seize this broken down affair and sell it today. Here is my paper

Teddy. (mounting his chair) Fellow students! I appreciate your kindly greeting, and to show you my gratitude on this first day of my reign I will give you this afternoon as a half holiday.

Chorus. Good!

Acting Chanc. But, sir, you are going too far.

Teddy. Don't I own this university? I don't want any words from you.

Acting Chanc. This is a mistake. There will be no half holiday. Go to your work.

Teddy. Silence sir. How dare you dictate to me, on my own premises. If you venture another word I'll have my janitor sling you from my ground.

Sheriff. To deputy.—You will go to the Co-op and seize everything you can, at least everything that does not belong to the University.—Gets *Bl. Girl's* wheel and she interferes.—Curtain.

ACT II.

Clerk discovered at the table looking over papers. Enter newspaper boy. "Evening papers fifth, edition, latest reports from the university; college at fever heat, in the hands of an irresponsible student who is spending the state money right and left." Exit

Farmer. (About *Teddy*) Well, if the doctors don't kill him I'll do it when he gets back. I won't have him gillyin' round with *Susquehanna*. He'll borrow all her money next thing.

Clerk. Well don't tell me your troubles. Now don't lean on that chair. That is the chair of hygiene (Farmer smashes the chair and goes toward the door.)

Clerk. (To *Sheriff*) Do you mean to call me a liar?

Sheriff. That is exactly what I call you.

But I'll see him and I'll sieze the university, and if I don't I will blow the top of his head off.

Clerk. Yes, sir! yes, sir!

Sheriff. He is an embezzler!

Clerk. Yes, sir! yes, sir!

Sheriff. And you are a blithering idiot.

Clerk. Yes, sir! yes, sir!

Sheriff. Did you hear me? I say I'll blow the top of his head off.

[Bell rings, enter faculty lock step.]

Teddy. I'll fine you \$2.00 Prof. Adams for not closing the door.

Clerk. They are very angry sir, and are on the point of rebellion

Teddy. Rebellion! Let me address these crawling reptiles. Jimmy, get the book. I find that your lines exactly balance your salaries. Bring in a stack of bricks.

[Enter sisters.]

Teddy. Why, *Nellie*, what a charming dress you have on! Why, that's a new one on me!

Nellie. Yes, its a new one on me too!

Teddy. Richard close the door.

Richard. Yes sir.

Teddy. From the outside I mean.

(Exit *Richard* *Teddy* puts his arm around her.)

Susq. You must not do that.

Teddy. Well, that's the most remarkable thing I've heard a girl say. Why not?

Susq. Oh, I don't know, only it seems a little odd.

Teddy. How long are you going to be here?

Susq. About two years.

Teddy. Well you will get used to it then.

Susq. Oh, I'm getting used to everything. I came down here to see a little of life, and papa only lets me see the faculty.

Teddy. Well you see sights then.

Susq. (To *Teddy* with whom she is about to elope) No, but can't you see we are not making the best of our chances. Can't we skip out? Now here is my plan. Suppose we two take my money and go to New York and have a regular continuous fourth of July. Go to the theatre, and the horse show, and Coney Island you know. I have a cousin ten miles removed whom I can stay with and we can spend part of the money anyway.

(Enter bloomer girl and catches *Teddy* by the sleeve. *Susquehanna* stays by the window.)

Bl. Girl. You are likely to have a sky full of stars to look at if you make love to that girl behind my back.

Teddy. (To *Susq*) Well then we must be swift; we got to leave town by the 9:55 train.

Enter Governor.

Governor. Well, of all the deliberately shameful misbehavior! The acting Chancellor of the university on the floor scrubbing. Sir, I want to know—

Teddy. I'll let you talk to me after while.

Governor. What do you mean, you miscreant, by subjecting the noble and learned gentleman to such violent manual labor? I, the governor of the state, demand to know?

Teddy. Well, you the governor of the state, are not likely to find out.—to acting Chancellor—Now don't get presumptuous because we have company. (kicking him)

Teddy. [To *Bl. Girl* who refuses him her bicycle to skip out on]. You guess not, you ungrateful wretch! When I've honored you with my company to every dance and base ball game for the last three years, you turn against me now, you groveling parasite, your monumental ingratitude would make an ostrich hide its head. If it wasn't for the garments of your sex I'd have you—

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