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From the Story Teller's Pack

No Inducement. REV. F. S. C. WICKS of All-Souls' Unitarian church told a good story the other day of a young preacher who solicited a very bad lawyer. He said the lawyer was a bad husband, bad father, bad neighbor and generally a bad man morally though he had been very successful in his profession. For the funeral a new preacher in the town was selected so that he would not know just what kind of a man the lawyer had been. The preacher arrived and asked a man standing by, who was pretty much of a wag, what sort of a man the lawyer had been. The wag lauded the lawyer to the skies. The preacher believed all he said, and pronounced a poetic eulogy of the departed barrister. When he had heard all he could stand to hear without unbending himself to some one present, the judge of the court in that town leaned over to a lawyer who sat beside him and remarked: "Well, there's mighty little inducement for a really good man to die in Smithville now."-Philadelphia Record.

Fail on Stone Saves Her. By a display of exceptional presence of mind and unusual nerve, Mrs. William Taylor, living near Knob Mountain, Columbia county, Pennsylvania, frustrated the attempt of two highwaymen to hold her up along a lonely mountain road, to the right of which was a sheer precipice. At the most dangerous point in the road she was commanded to halt by robbers, who appeared from either side of the road, and no sooner did she do so than she was jerked from the seat and thrown to the ground. Her hand alighted on a large stone, and she seized, and, hurling it at one of the robbers, she regained her feet. The stone hit the man fair in the eye, and as the blood streamed down his face his companion rushed to his aid, affording Mrs. Taylor an opportunity to jump into the carriage. Whipping up her horse, she made her escape, still in possession of her pocketbook.

They Never Learn. "So William Watson, the British poet, has married an Irish girl! Watson, to be sure, has a government position of \$10 a week. Still."

The speaker, a leading member of the Franklin Inn of Philadelphia shook his head ominously.

"In the present depression of the poetry market poets shouldn't marry," he said. "But Watson has always been proud, unreasonably proud, and self-confident."

"Watson walked into the sanctum of an English magazine editor one day, laid a long ode on the desk and said: 'Here's that 32-stanza ode I offered you three years ago.'"

"But I refused it three years ago," said the editor, turning the pages of the manuscript disdainfully.

"Yes," Watson agreed, "that is true." "Then, if I refused it, why do you bring it back to me now?"

"You have had three years' experience since then," said Watson, "and I thought you might have learned by this time to tell literature from trash."-Washington Post.

The Ruling Passion.

Dr. Charles McCormick, the Chicago physician who says that "the man with the grinch" cannot resist disease like his more contented brother, referred again to this assertion at a recent dinner.

"The man with a grinch," he said, "is gloomy and gloominess brings on ill health, weakness and dyspepsia."

"A confirmed grinch cannot get rid of a grumpy man is governed by his grinch as a miser is governed by his mean-ness," he said, "and I thought you might have learned by this time to tell literature from trash."-Washington Post.

She Had Kept His Secret.

They were discussing that old, old occupation against woman that she cannot keep a secret. The late Mary S. Anthony had listened attentively to the discussion; then at last she said:

"A woman can keep an important secret as well as a man. The secrets she reveals are slight and harmless ones, such as any one would reveal. Where is the woman who ever tells a secret that reflects on her husband or her own children?"

"I know a man who one day refused to tell his wife the outcome of a business transaction, in which, quite naturally, she took a deep interest."

"No," he sneered when she asked him about it, "my woman make me tired; you can never keep a secret."

"Roger, old fellow," replied the wife in quiet, even tones, "I've ever told the secret about the solitary engagement ring you gave me eighteen years ago being passed."

"And then he told her all about that business transaction, and he did not omit a single, tiny detail, either."-Philadelphia Record.

"It Was Clean All Right."

"I've just spanked Ned. I don't know what course you'd pursue with Stephen," remarked the mother in a jocular mood.

"What have the boys been up to now?" was the inquiring query.

"About the very last thing you'd imagine. They've been eating luncheon with the Italian laborers working along the car track. And you might as well know the worst at once—they've been eating meat cooked in a shovel."

With a frantic vision of a hopelessly germ-ridden child, says the Springfield Union, Stephen's mother called her interesting hair's speedy account.

"I didn't eat luncheon with any strange men," he indignantly protested. "Those men are all my dear friends. And I didn't eat any meat cooked in a shovel, either."

"What did you eat, then?"

"Only some gravy cooked in a shovel by one of the men." Thus perceiving the wild alarm in the maternal countenance, "But it was clean all right, mother, for I saw the man wipe off the shovel with his hat before he poured in the gravy."-Youth's Companion.

Sailor's Pledge a Wit.

The late Thomas Stone, "the sailor's missionary," was the soul of kindness, but he had a keen wit and a ready tongue, too. An instance given in his recently published life is the following:

"His wit was not without its humorous side. Among the new men there were always some who sought a little amusement at his expense, but they reckoned without their host. His kindly manner never changed. The smile never left his face. There, no venom in the retort, but it seldom failed to silence the interrupter. The

laugh raised at his expense made it quite certain that no second attempt would be made. "Seeing him approaching one day, one of a group of sailors announced his intention of having some fun. He stepped forward and removed his hat, revealing a perfectly smooth crown, and asked: "Can you tell me why my head is so bald, while my companions have plenty of hair?" "I don't know," was the smiling reply, "unless the reason given me the other day by a farmer would apply, that an empty barn is not worth shingling."-Rochester Herald.

Strange Doings at Munsey's.

Some years ago Frank A. Munsey, the magazine man, hired a private secretary, Speaker Reed, and dropped it to call on Mr. Munsey, who was an old friend. The secretary said that Mr. Munsey was engaged.

"All right," said Reed, "I'll wait." At the end of half an hour Munsey's door opened and the publisher appeared showing his caller out.

"Seeing the speaker, he grasped his hand and dragged him into his office. An hour later, when Reed had gone, Mr. Munsey called his secretary.

"Look here, Block," he said, "what do you mean by letting Speaker Reed wait unannounced half an hour?" "Wa-wa-wa that Mr. Reed?" "It certainly was."

"Why, I thought it was the Rev. Dr. John Hall," said the secretary. "Dr. Hall has been dead two years," answered Munsey, severely.

"I know it," replied the secretary, "that's why I thought it was the very peculiar."-Success.

Pierce County

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wise influence on the entire county, and the people are making remarkable social, intellectual and moral progress. It is more difficult to gather together the evidence of it than it is to set down the achievements that show material advancement. The most significant of all is that any trained student of the people may turn where he will outside the political rings and he will find wholesome folk everywhere living frankly, working cheerfully, full of ambition, lifting the level of life higher. Every generation is in many ways in advance of the preceding generation.

The facilities for a high standard of living in Pierce county is second to none in Nebraska. Reaching out from Pierce City there are twenty-one telephone lines with from ten to twenty farmers connected with each line. In fact the whole county is one network of telephone wires, and about 85 per cent of the rural population are connected with these lines. This is not only an educator to the rural population but it brings the farmer in close touch with the business man. In fact, it makes a business man of the farmer. Then the county has its full share of organizations, not the least of which is the County Agricultural society. Every town and city has its clubs and fraternal orders. In fact, there are many towns of Nebraska that are over organized. Especially is this the case with many of the county seats.

As most organizations have the good of the general community in view, a vast amount of energy can be saved by uniting. Here is a board of trade, and a merchants' association and a woman's club and a retail grocers' association and possibly others—all aiming at the same end—the betterment of the community. Let all these affiliate into a compact organization, and the funds and do business in a business like way. Work up a healthy public sentiment for the home town among home people.

The business men of Pierce have been very active and progressive. They have appreciated from the beginning the advantages of broad, well-kept streets with shade trees. And they have taken much pride and pains with their homes and lawns. Their public buildings are in excellent condition and an honor and ornament to any city of their size. The commercial club is devoting some of their time, energy and cash in developing good roads, sentiment and making it easier for the farmer to get to market. There is one branch of this work, however, that the average commercial club hardly seems to be in touch with and that is the great benefit to a town, the establishment and maintenance of a fire department, one of the best aids for a town and in most cases it can be made a profitable investment, as the traveling public demands something good and is willing to pay for it.

House Boats

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the sharp top of a bob sawyer. The latter is a tree with its roots here in the river bottom by the sand and mud. Its broken top bobbing up and down with the undulations of the current. It gets its name from the bobbing and sawing motions imparted to it by the water.

Most of the shanty boats are afloat in the rivers, being moored to the bank with a gaspkin running to shore. Others, generally the older ones and those not in good condition, are beached in a favorable spot during high water, and after the water recedes are propped level with timbers and driftwood.

Sometimes they are moored a few rods up the mouths of small streams, being half hidden by willows and overhanging sycamores. The greater part of them are gathered near the towns and cities. In the Ohio river the favorite spots are at Wheeling, W. Va.; near Cinch, W. Va.; Louisville and Paducah, Ky., and Cairo, Ill.

On the Mississippi river they congregate opposite St. Louis at Cape Girardeau, and in Missouri opposite where the Ohio enters the Mississippi; Hickman, Ky.; New Madrid, Mo.; Memphis, Tenn., and Natchez and Vicksburg, Miss. It has been estimated that on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers and their tributaries, exclusive of the Missouri, the number of shanty boats is in excess of 4,000. Estimating three persons to a boat, this would make a total of over 12,000 persons living in such craft.

It is as a fisherman that the shanty boat man shines, and many of them not only catch enough fish to furnish subsistence for themselves, but also have a surplus to barter with the shore dwellers for land provisions. Black bass, German carp, buffalo, catfish, crappie or calico bass, fresh water drum, known locally as white perch, esch, hickory shad, moonsey or toothed herring, haddockfish or spoonbill cat, so called from its long, spoon-shaped bill—its eggs are prepared and sold as caviar—pike, sauger, wall-eyed pike, rock bass, shad, lake and white nose sturgeon, suckers, sunfish, white bass and yellow perch are the principal species taken.

When the Was Accommodating. "What do you want?" asked the farmer's wife, as the ill-looking tramp came sitting up to the door.

"I want to get a bite or two and I want it quick, see?" replied the tramp.

"Oh, certainly," said the good woman with a prompt cheerfulness and freedom from alarm which made the ugly visitor turn appreciatively. "You can have all the blue you want, here, please."-Baltimore American.

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