



Joys o' Winter

When the corn is cribbed in safety and the ducks are flying high, And the dead leaves thickly falling tells us winter draweth nigh;

"When the frost is on the pumpkin and the fodder's in the shock" It's a joy to hear the notice that it's half-past six o'clock—

All the Frenchified concoctions on the high toned bill of fare We'll pass up in scorn and leave them to their glory lying there,

Old Lucullus, history tells us, ate the tongues of nightingales, But such food before ma's pastry into airy nothing pales.

Course the first, a slice of pumpkin; second course a slice of mince, Third and fourth a repetition—nothing better I've seen since.

When the mince is gently boiling and the oven's piping hot, When the piecrust is made ready and the pumpkin's in the pot;

The Remedy

The cotton mill magnate was very wroth. The papers had been roasting him for employing child labor. "But you can fix that all right," remarked his intellectual private secretary.

You'll Know

when you get the grip, but you won't know how it happened—no one does. You won't care. You will be too miserable. But you will be intensely interested in how to get rid of it.

Dr. Miles' Nervine

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and make such a campaign against child labor that people will lose sight of your actions in their admiration for your pretenses."

Realizing that it had been done before, the magnate decided to try it. The difference between the wage of the children he employed and the wage he would have to pay to adults would more than pay the cost of running the newspaper.

A Cinch

"The funny man of the Milwaukee Sentinel offers a prize for the best answer to the question, 'How can you tell a man from Chicago?' Have you tried to win?"

Outrageous

"I see that Secretary Wilson says the mincemeat of commerce has practically no meat in it, therefore it does not come under the government meat inspection laws."

A Query or Two

Do you remember how old your father appeared to you when you were 9 or 10 years old and he was 40 or 45? And do you ever wonder if you appear as old at 40 or 45 to your child of 9 or 10 as your father appeared to you?

A Warning

Those who caused the insurrection will be filled with deep dejection when Taft starts to make inspection of the scrap in Cuba's isle; For he'll make investigation of the troubled situation and inflict due castigation if it's really worth the while.

Uncle Sam the scene's surveying while his fleets and armies staying, and he says, "No time for playing—down to business you must get."

Those who've raised the conflagration in that new and untried nation fail to sense the situation, or the trouble they've begun.

For "Bill" Taft has made a landing, and it's time for understanding, it's no lightweight we are handing, for Taft weighs a solid ton.

Still Slumbering

Yes, my child; the man you see working is a cooper. He makes barrels. He gets \$14 a week for his work, working six days of nine hours each. Yes, it seems to be good pay and I suppose he is satisfied.

have something for giving the man an opportunity to work. Will he wake up? Some day he may, but he has been slumbering a long time.

Explained

"Papa," exclaimed little Willie Biddad. "Papa, how do you know the stork brings the babies?" "Very simple, Willie," said Mr. Biddad. His bill is very large."

Different

"Do you hear my daughter playing the piano of evenings?" asked Mr. DeFlatte. "Playing?" growled Mr. De Suite. "It sounds like work to me."

Limerick

There was a young man in Chicago Who strived hard in making the law go, But sad to remark He wasn't a "shark." And now he is making a saw go.

Financial

"But the railroads killed 6,000 last year," we protested. "True, but that was an accident," said the magnate. "The use of adequate safety appliances would have prevented it," we declared.

"Look here!" shouted the magnate "you talk like a man who thinks that safety appliances can be had for nothing!" Suddenly remembering that the demand for dividends must be met we decided to change the subject.

Brain Leaks

It is better to be born plucky than rich. You can not lead a Godly life without being neighborly. The "licker" is a necessary adjunct to every successful organization. Perhaps they call it "bridge whist" because it makes the losers cross.

Speaking of joyous moments, how about the one when the batter up for the home team lines out a long single and bats in the winning run? A Joplin girl's graduating essay last spring was on the subject, "How to keep house on \$10 a week." She intended to teach school this winter but will keep house instead for a fine young Joplinite who knew a good thing when he heard—and saw—it.

HOW NOT TO ADVERTISE

The farmers of northern Indiana and southern Michigan have come to realize that advertising signboards mar the beauty of the country and that the advertisers in placing them ruin young trees and break their fences; and they have effected an organization to see that every sign is removed from their premises and to prosecute merchants who, in the future, trespass on their property.

Grover Cleveland has written a book of "Fishing and Hunting Sketches."

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