

## HABIT

"I wasn't always like this, lady," said the wayfarer at the back door. "They was a time when I had everything money could buy."

"You poor man! How did you come to this?"

"I'll tell you, lady. My wife used to keep me on the go all the time. One week it would be Newport and the next it would be Palm Beach or the Adirondacks or else Europe, accordin' to where the society folks happened to be goin'. We spent all our money that way, and when it was all gone I was so used to travelin' that I just naturally couldn't stop, so I took to trampin'."—N. Y. World.

## SLOW, BUT SURE

The cabby and the chauffeur had a slight altercation and the former, in approved sarcastic style, inquired: "And what's that pretty thing stuck on the side?"

"Why, that's a spare rim and tire in case any of the wheels go wrong—as any sensible man knows."

"Well, I've drove 'osses for nigh on twenty years, an' I never carried a spare leg for one of 'em yet!"

## HANDLE WITH CARE

Harold had eaten most generously of good things and ended a day of feasting and mirth by curling up in the corner of the fireplace and embarking for the Land of Nod. When some one discovered and picked him up to carry him off to bed, he opened one sleepy eye to caution them:

"Put me in bed, but don't bend me!"

## RIGHT

"Ma husband's very po'ly, ma'am. He's got dat exclamatory rheumatism."

"You mean inflammatory, Martha. Exclamatory is from exclaim, which means to cry out."

"Yes, ma'am, dat's what it is. He hollers if any one goes near him."

## AIN'T NATURE WONDERFUL



## The Practical Joker

Heh! Heh! Heh! Wah-Heh! Heh!  
Why all the merry guffaws, stupid?

We just can't restrain ourselves from lawfing at the merry antics of the practical joker, he's so clever and funny.

We think you should be spouting sympathy for this rummy instead of the tickle exhausts. He's the feeble-minded Luke that wears the trick flower and tells you put your horn down and smell it, then he presses a bulb that squirts rain up in your mush.

He's the rummy that puts drinking water on the bookkeeper's chair when he goes to answer the phone. Always has some clever little stunt where his victim is a full-bearded angora, but when somebody changes the act and uses him for the nanny. Oh! His record rattles off thusly: "That's a dirty trick. I don't mind a joke, but that ain't no joke; a joke's a joke, but that's dirty," etc.

## AND RARER, TOO

"Pop," inquired little Clarence Lilywhite, "what am a millennium?"

"Sho!" said his parent. "Doan' yo' know what a millennium am, chille? It's jes' about de same as a centennial, on'y it's got mo' legs."—Ladies' Home Journal.

## DILATORY

She—Here is a woman who got married, deserted her husband and eloped, all in one day.

He—What delayed her?—Judge.