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The Paragraph Fiend.

Always in debt—The letter B. The first lady in the land—Eve. Very rash—A boy with measles.

A trim ankle is as pretty a horse carriage as we want to see. Boston maidens love flowers. It is laugh culture, you know.

The girl who loves William never asks her father to foot her Bill. The worst way to make money in a lot is—not to buy a ticket.

What the drunken man sees may often be described as a circular saw. "She's not of my set," said the old hen as she chased a strange chicken out of the yard.

It seems a little strange that a man's face is generally the longest when he himself is "shortest." A Pittsburg man has been fined fifty dollars for keeping a cow. The cow belonged to a neighbor.

A new story is entitled "The Editor's Wallet." We have not read it but know it must be very flat. One's relatives are sometimes very disagreeable; but probably the meanest one of the lot is your carbuncle.

When a barber seeks to render himself sociable with a customer in the chair he is only "scraping an acquaintance." A down-east debating society is wrestling with the question: "Which goes the faster when broken, a colt or a five dollar bill?"

The Rev. Sam Jones, the great southern revivalist, is tired out and will take a rest. Thus human infirmity gives the devil an advantage. A man named Cannon, employed in a foundry, came around the other day loaded to the muzzle. He was promptly discharged.

When the bad small boy returns at night to his home he often finds there is a breeze blowing, and usually it is a spanking one. A monument is to be erected in Paris to the inventor of soda water. We suppose it will bear a representation of the inventor's phiz.—Boston Post.

A Colorado paper says: "The Canon City girls don't take kindly to croquet. They say it isn't high toned enough for them. Leap frog is their best hold." They make two billion shingles every year in Michigan, and yet the small boy in that state grows up and turns pirate just the same.—Philadelphia Call.

A gentleman said to a minister: "When do you expect to see Deacon S. again?" "Never," said the reverend gentleman so evenly, "the deacon is in heaven." An Austrian professor claims to have discovered that the soul is nothing more nor less than the natural perfume of the hair. That's a little rough on head-headed people.

Time was, they say, when merit won the boys. But in these times no man of merit rises; Ah! we've fallen on degenerate days. For gas and brass now capture all life's prizes. A Nevada hunter spent three months looking for a grizzly bear, and the man's relatives have spent three months looking for him. They think he must have found the bear.

The great conundrum, "What are pennies made for?" has been solved. They are made to enable the New York millionaires to contribute to the erection of the Grant monument. The rose in her cheeks is red to-night. Her eyes are filled with tender light, and her heart brims over with happiness.

And where are now the youth so gay And maiden dressed in lawn. Oh, whither do their footsteps stray, Where have the lovers gone?

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