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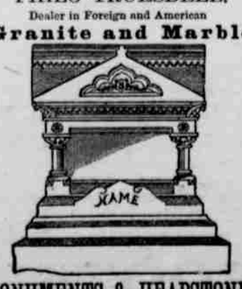

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WIT AND HUMOR.

Every one's sweetheart sometimes gets up in arms against him.—Galveston News.

The person who is chased by a bear has proof positive that trouble's a brewin'.—Lowell Courier.

Waiter (deferentially)—"Soup, sir?" Fuddled actor (ferociously)—"No, sir; leading man."—Judge.

These are the days when the tramp and the pumpkin are both getting very seedy.—Baltimore American.

"That breaks me all up," is what the piece of ice was heard to remark when speaking of the icepick.—Yonker's Statesman.

Cora (proudly)—My new lover, Mr. Jimpson, has a stage air, hasn't he? Dora—Yes, papa says he used to drive one.—Epoch.

"Smithers is a very engaging fellow." "Yes—he had to leave Boston once because he was engaged to three girls at once."—Truth.

"After mature deliberations I have decided to take this step," remarked the Boston babe, putting out its foot in a first attempt to walk.—Life.

Justice—"So you wish to be married?"

Awaiting couple—"Yes, sir."

Justice—"Slip knot or true lover's knot?"

"I was kicked by a horse when I was little and knocked senseless," said Chappie. "How soon do you expect to recover?" asked the cynical Maud.—Judge.

Miss Trill—"I love to hear the birds sing."

Jack Mallet—"So do I. They never attempt a piece beyond their ability."—Puck.

Sportsman—"Any game about here?"

Facetious native—"There'll be a base ball game this afternoon."

Sportsman—"Very well. I'll shoot the umpire."—Puck.

She—"You know, Dick, that papa is not nearly as rich as he is reported to be."

He—"Oh, well, he is likely to make a fortune before he dies. I shall have to take my chances like all the rest of the fellows, I suppose."—Puck.

"What sort of a newspaper plant have you?" asked the eastern man of the wild western editor. "I have been using a Colt's 44," replied the editor modestly, "but considering the difficulties arising out of the last campaign I have about concluded to get a Winchester."—Colorado Sun.

Printer—"There was a bill collector up here to see you."

Editor—"And what did you do with him?"

"I shot him."

"Good gracious! And powder is forty cents a pound! Why didn't you pitch him out of the window?"—Atlanta Constitution.

Contractor—"Before the contract is given out I should like to present you a slight token of my esteem."

Public official—"Sir, I despise bribery in all its forms; but my wife saw a house at No. 1000 Broad avenue that she liked immensely."

Contractor—"All right, sir, she shall have it."—Boston Gazette.

Mr. B., a well known St. Louis contributor, gave vent to the following philosophical reflections: "Call a girl a spring chicken and she will laugh; call a woman a hen and she gets mad. Call a young lady a witch and she will enjoy it; call an old woman a witch and your life is in danger. Call a girl a kitten and she won't take it unkindly; call a woman a cat and she will hate you. Remarkable sex."—St. Louis Republic.

Mozart was on a visit to a monastery, says the Daheim Kalander. During mass he listened impatiently to the feeble execution of the organ player, and could hardly bear to sit out the service. After mass the prior asked Mozart to dinner, and took the opportunity to inquire how he liked the playing of the organist.

"He plays quite in bibical fashion," said Mozart.

"How is that?" asked the prior.

"His left hand does not know what the right hand is doing," was the reply.—Berlin Letter.

Little Edith had the habit of eating out the soft part of her bread and tucking the crust under the edge of her plate. Her mother had frequently reproved Edith for this reprehensible practice, but it appeared to have no lasting effect. The other evening Edith was detected at her old trick. Said her mother: "Edith, how often have I told you about leaving your crusts. There may come a day when you'll be glad to get them." "Yes, mamma," replied Edith with a demure, whimsical countenance, "that's what I'm saving 'em for."—Boston Transcript.

Rapid Transit in the South.

Rapid transit in the south is humorous all the time. Time being of no earthly importance in this latitude the joke is always cheap and agreeable. Yesterday, having no thought of anything beyond a ride in the sunshine, I boarded one of the open cars which are now running through the town. At the next corner the car stopped and remained at a standstill long enough for the little mules to go to sleep. I was sitting just behind the driver, and thinking perhaps that some rule of the road entailed a long wait at this point, which was outside the town proper, I asked him if he intended to start again soon.

"Well, I dunno, suh," he replied politely. "You see that old lady wants to get on this heah kyar—but I can't tell how long it'll take her to get heah," and he pointed up the road at right angles to the track leading to three or four cottages perched on a hill a quarter of a mile away. Half way between us and the cottages an old lady was walking toward us. She did not seem to be in a hurry; neither did she wave her hands frantically or scream as a northern woman would have done under similar circumstances. She took her time and the driver of the street car recognized her sacred right to go slow. When she had taken her seat he unwound the brake in a leisure was, woke the mules, and he went on.

Still further south, at Dallas, Tex., the other day, some friends of mine were riding on a street car when a lady in the party saw some pop-corn on the sidewalk.

"O, what lovely pop-corn!" she said; "I wish I had some!"

"I suppose you'd like me to stop the car and get some for you," was her husband's ironical remark.

The driver of the car overheard it and stopped the car at once and said he'd wait while the pop-corn was bought for the lady.—Hot Springs Letter.

A Live Young Woman.

She was as gentle of eye as a soft gazelle, that she was, for this didn't happen this week, although it is by no means ancient history. It was in a shoe store in Lewiston, and the gentle maiden was an acquaintance of the proprietor, and always bought her No. 2's there when she encased her dainty feet in anything brand new.—"Here's something that will fit you," said the jocular proprietor passing out a pair of wool boots fitted with a pair of lumberman's rubbers. "I'll make you a present of them if you will wear them down to the postoffice and back." "Wait a minute," said she, and in a "minute" she was arrayed in wool boots and lumberman's rubbers.—"Watch me to the postoffice," and she was gone. "Her feet beneath her petticoat like little mice stole in and out as if they feared the light," wrote the poet 200 years ago, but he didn't refer to the Lewiston young lady who did this feat on foot, or he never would have said it. She was back in less than 10 minutes, red-cheeked and laughing. "There," said she, as she passed up the boots. "Do them up.—I'll send them to my father down in Penobscot county. I never lose a chance to help the folks at home," and the shoe dealer was as good as his word, and "dad" marveled at a pair of nice wool boots from his thoughtful daughter in Lewiston.—Lewiston Journal.

A Kansas Proposal.

One blazing day in August a rural twain had wandered down by the bean-lot. The bean-lot was a plat of smooth, beaten earth where castor-beans were spread to be husked by old Sol. Pop, pop, poppety, pop, pop—came the merry sound of the beans as they broke out of their burrs and the love-lorn swain suggested that they sit in the shade where they could hear the bean-lot artillery.

"Liz," said he after a long pause, "your paw's beans are jest more'n poppin, ain't they?"

"They are prime beans, too, Zeke."

"Say, Liz, I wish't I—I—"

"You wish't you what?"

"Oh—er—nothin. But them beans pop awful easy, don't they, Liz?"

"Yes, en if they was green they wouldn't pop so well, would they?"

"N—nope. En that's why I wish't I—"

"You wish you what?"

"Oh, you're lookin' at me en I can't say it!"

"Well, I'll look over there. Now, then."

"Your peekin' round."

"No, I hain't. Honest now."

Here followed a silence in which the beans popped encouragingly.

"Go on, Zeke," said Liz.

And Zeke with a mighty effort stuttered out:

"Them beans pop so easy, Liz, that I wish't—I wish't—I—was—a—bean!"

Zeke was understood and the castor-beans rattled merrily as Liz named the day.—Ex.

The Mule and the Boy.

A boy, apparently much agitated, rushed into a house recently and said: "I don't want to alarm yer, but I've got big news. The man sent me up from the livery stable to tell yer—"

"Good heavens! What is it?"

"Why, you know yer little boy, Aleck, phat the men can't keep outen the livery stable 'round the corner?"

"Yes, well?"

"I told Aleck just now not to go inter the stable among the horses, but he wouldn't mind me."

"Oh, dear! What has happened?"

"He said he wanted to see what a mule would do when you tickled his heels with a straw."

"Oh, heavens!" gasped the lady, and clung to the mantel for support.

"Well, sir, your boy Aleck got a straw, snuck up behin' a sorrel mule, tickled him on the heels, an—" The lady started for the door. "An' the blamed critter never lifted a hoof," said the boy. "Never as much as switched his tail. It's a mighty good thing for Aleck that he didn't, too, an' I thought I'd come up and tell yer." And he dodged out at the side entrance.—Germantown Telegraph.

Desperation.

They had just came out of a dime museum—a tall, lank woman with knife-blade lips and an olive green complexion; the little old man with her was round-faced, blue-eyed and meek of manner. Hardly had they reached the pavement when the essence of vinegar by his side hissed out:

"I seen ye, Abs'lom Kittson."

"Seen me what, Nancy?"

"Oh, I'd ask what! I tell ye I seen ye with my own livin' eyes!"

"Seen me what?"

"Seen you flurritin' with that tattoed woman. Oh, I did!"

"Good Lord, Nancy!"

"Oh, I seen you give her them peanuts, I seen ye!"

"Why, Nance, I—"

"And I seen ye flurritin' with the fat woman. I seen ye give her the apple, Ab. Kittson."

"Why, Nance, I merely—"

"I had my eye on ye. I seen ye offer that albino gal a bite of your bolony sassinger, Ab. Kittson; an' I seen ye try to make up to that bearded woman—"

"Good land of—"

"Shet up, Ab. Kittson, or I'll go home! A-flurritin with sich! Oh, I seen you, you mizzable big flirrut you!"—Free Press.

Nor Dogs Nor Cigars.

A Parisian recently chronicled this true tale of "The Smoker's Revenge"

Scene: A railway compartment.

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"Do it if you dare!" exclaimed Mme. Potin, with an unearthly gleam in her eye.

"Just to see what'll happen, here goes!" he said, stung by the lady's tone. And he applied the match.

The lady bounced from the seat, and, snatching the cigar from his lips, threw it out of the window.

"There is a compartment for smokers!" she hissed.

The gentleman, quite taken back, thought it best to be quiet, while secretly bemoaning his lost Havanna.

Five minutes' silence. Mme Potin flushed with her triumph. Suddenly the lady's muff appeared to become instinct with life, and presently a little poodle put out its head to take a breath of air. The gentleman rose, smiling affably, seized the little dog by the tail and tenderly dropped it out of the carriage window, saying in dulcet tones: "Madame, there is a compartment for dogs!"—Illustrated American.

A Mystery.

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