

Pickwicks in Livery.
The dignity of some fat coachmen in New York is very impressive. Their development is outlined distinctly by their coats. They have swelled steadily and persistently year after year, and every now and then the coats have been let out and the buttons moved to accommodate increasing inches of girth. A coachman's figure has a great deal to do with his success. The attempts of fat men to look lean sometimes verge on the humorous. They hold their heads high to escape the imputation of obesity and puff out their chests heroically. But with all their hauteur, pomposity and pretentious bearing they look only like very fat men in tight clothes, reminiscent of Pickwick in livery.—New York Press.

The Dead Man's Threat.
Returning home recently, a woman who had taken out a summons against her husband, a painter's laborer, on account of his ill treatment, saw by the light of the moon her husband standing, as she thought, behind the door ready to strike her. She ran away, but it was afterward discovered that the man was hanging by a rope from a ventilator over the door with his feet almost touching the floor. He was dead.—London Mail.

Without Trimmings.
Payne, an examiner at Cambridge university, whose questions were always of a peculiarly exasperating nature, once asked a student at a special examination to "give a definition of happiness."
"An exemption from Payne," was the reply.

Odd Hair Styles.
Some of the New Hebrides people do their hair up in a bunch on the top of the head and stain it yellow, while the inhabitants of Ombai Island pass it all through a tube so as to make a kind of plume. The Marquesas chief's favorite method is to shave all the head except two patches, one over each temple, where he cultivates two horns of hair. No doubt this is to render him more a thing of terror to his enemies than of admiration to his friends. His reason for shaving the rest of the head is to allow more space for tattooing, as if all the available skin of the body were not enough.

Not Yet.
"They're saying you're just like all the other members of the house," remarked the newly elected legislator's close friend. "They say you have your price."
"That's a lie," declared the new member.

"I thought so."
"Yes. I haven't got it yet, but I have hopes."—Philadelphia Catholic Standard and Times.

Cutting It Short.
"How long can you stay?" asked a hostess who had received an unexpected visitor coolly.
"No longer than I can help," was the crisp reply. "I have telephoned to have my trunk stay at the depot and to notify me of the first train I can take home. So sorry I can't stay longer."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Little Things.
Little words are the sweetest to hear. Little charities fly farthest and stay longest on the wing. Little lakes are stillest, and little hearts are the fullest, and little farms the best tilled. And when Nature would make anything especially rare and beautiful she makes it little—little pearls, little diamonds, little dewdrops—mutum in parvo. Much in little is the great beauty of all that we love best.

Too Frank.
Many take advantage of what they call a true interest in our welfare in order to rub gall into our wounds. The man who boasts of his frankness and of his hatred of flattery is usually not frank, but only brutal.

Had the Years.
Daughter—George and I are both old enough to marry, papa!
Father—I was wondering if that was the only collateral George had to start with.—Brooklyn Life.

Sir Francis Jeune laid down the axiom that "no woman can love two men at once, while to a man the division of his affections comes naturally."

Cruel.
Cholly—That was a clever thing you said to Freshley lawst night.
Miss Peppery—Who told you?
"Why, I—er—heard you say it."
"Yes, but who told you it was clever?"—Exchange.

Not a Repenter.
Miss Gossip—Does little Reginald talk yet?
Mrs. Knowser—Not much. You needn't be afraid of his repeating anything you say.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Not Complaining of That.
"Some people say you have more money than brains," said the blunt person.
"I hope so," answered Senator Sorghum. "Most everybody I run across is trying to trade off brains for money."—Washington Star.

Various Sources of Silk.
Silkworms are not the sole source of the production of silk. It is also obtained from several vegetable substances, but of an inferior and less durable description. Excellent colored silk is obtained from the prepared and finer fibers of the bamboo, which is much in demand for clothing in tropical countries from its lightness and porosity. Another form of silk is obtained from the pods of the silk cotton tree, of which there are several varieties in existence, the material obtained from them being known as vegetable silk.

Went Her One Better.
"I never saw you in such a becoming hat, my dear. Did you get it ready made?"
"I was just thinking how unusually pretty yours looks. Did you make it yourself?"—Brooklyn Life.

How It Was Done.
"I thought Miss Pumbleigh figured on marrying Jack."
"So she did, but another girl with more money outfigured her."—Smart Set.

Envy is not only a great weakness, but it is a great ignorance too. No man envies what he can surpass or equal.

Judicial Ignorance.
The ignorance of worldly affairs on the part of judges is proverbial, but a county court judge the other day certainly amazed the court, says an English newspaper. Counsel happened to say that the defendant, a vocalist, could not "turn up" at a certain place. "Turn up!" said the judge in bland surprise, "but he is a vocalist, not an acrobat." This recalls the story of the judge who asked, "What is the Stock Exchange—a cattle market?"

All on One Side.
"I am told your bride is very pretty," said Miss Peppery.
"Yes, indeed!" replied Mr. Con Sect. "Several of the guests at the ceremony were pleased to call it a 'wedding of beauty and brains.'"

"Well, well! She must be a remarkable woman! That's an unusual combination in one person."—Philadelphia Press.

An Exchange of Compliments.
"Man," remarked Mrs. Dinsmore reflectively as she dressed for going out, "is fearfully and wonderfully made."
"And woman," added Mr. Dinsmore, who was waiting impatiently, "is fearfully and wonderfully made up."—Detroit Free Press.

Big words are the tombs in which we bury our ideas.—Fowler.

Sneezing in the Orient.
Many savage and semicivilized races of the orient have some curious customs regarding the sneeze. When the sultan of Monomtopa sneezes, for instance, the fact is made known from the palace by a certain signal. Instantly every subject within hearing of the signal sets up a shout, the cry is taken up by others and so extends until it runs through the confines of his empire. When the sultan of Senaar sneezes, on the contrary, every woman in his harem or within hearing turns her back on him and makes a sign of contempt by smiting her hips with her hands—disgusted that so mighty a personage should have to sneeze like an ordinary mortal.

He Knew Right Off.
"Ah," sighed the wretched Mr. Newpop, "what can be more wearing on the nerves than a baby that cries all night long?"
"Twins," answered the man who had been through it.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Opposition.
A certain amount of opposition is a great help to a man. It is what he wants and must have to be good for anything. Hardships and opposition are the native soil of manhood and self reliance.—John Neat.

Our duty is to be useful not according to our desires, but according to our powers.—Amiel.

Maggie's Gift.
The minister's eyes swept with intense searching the pathetic faces of his stylish, worldly congregation. He had made an impassioned appeal for help in the support of a little home mission church among the mountains, a section where rough men and women knew scarcely anything of God and of the religion of Christ. He had hoped to inspire the people with the spirit of giving, to make them feel that it was a sweet, blessed privilege, and—he had failed. A sense of desolation crept over him.

"God help me," his lips murmured, mutely, and God had help coming. He could not see the bent figure of little crippled Maggie in the rear of the church—a figure

which was trembling under the fire of his appeal.

"Lord Jesus," the little one was saying, brokenly, "I ain't got nothin' ter give; I want the people in the mountains to hear 'bout my Saviour. O Lord, I ain't got nothin' ter—"

What was it that made that child catch her breath as though a cold hand had taken hold of her heart?

"Yes, you have, Maggie," whispered a voice from somewhere; "you've got your crutch, your beautiful crutch that was given ter you, an' is worth a lot of shinin' dollars. You kin give up your best friend, what helps you ter git into the park where the birds sing, an' takes you ter preachin', an' makes your life happy."

"Oh, no, Lord," sobbed the child choking and shivering. "Yes, yes, I will. He give up more'n that for me."

Blindly she extended the polished crutch, and placed it in the hands of the deacon who was taking up the scanty collection. For a moment the man was puzzled, then comprehending her meaning, he carried her crutch to the front of the church, and laid it on the table in front of the pulpit. The minister stepped down from the rostrum and held up the crutch with shaking hands. The sublimity of the renunciation unnerved him so that he could not speak for a moment.

"Do you see it, my people?" he faltered at last; "little crippled Maggie's crutch—all that she has to make life comfortable? She has given it to the Lord, and you—"

There was a moment of silence. The people flushed, and moved restlessly in their cushioned pews. "Does any one want to contribute to the mission cause the amount of money this crutch would bring, and give it back to the child, who is helpless without it?" the minister asked gravely.

"Fifty dollars," came in husky tones from the banker.

"Twenty-five."
"One hundred."

And so the subscribing went on, until papers equivalent to six hundred dollars were lightly piled over the crutch on the table.

"Ah, you have found your hearts—thank God! Let us receive the benediction," almost whispered the minister, as he suddenly extended his hands, which were trembling with emotion.

Little Maggie, absorbed in the greatness of her offering and the love which prompted it, understood nothing that had taken place. She had no thought of the future, of how she would get to her humble home; or of the days when she would sit helpless in her chair as she had once done. Christ had demanded her all, and she had given it, with the blind faith of Abraham. She understood no better when a woman's arm drew her into close embrace and soft lips whispered into her ears:

"Maggie, dear, your crutch has made \$600 for the mission church among the mountains, and has come back to stay with you again. Take it, little one."

Like the flash of light there came the consciousness that in some mysterious way her gift had been accepted of God and returned to her, and with a cry of joy the child caught the beloved crutch to her lonely heart; then, smiling through her tears at the kind faces and reverent eyes, she hobbled out of the sanctuary. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Mal. 3:10.)—Gertrude M. Jones, in Leaflet.

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