

**BY THE DYSPEPTIC.**

One must occasionally be miserable to appreciate happiness.

A woman can make a fool of a man whenever he wants her to.

Lots of men get stoop-shouldered from carrying their self-conceit.

Of course a man's home is his castle, but he needn't get up in the air about it.

The course of true love may not run smooth, but life at best is full of bumps.

Some men are so fond of sympathy that they actually glory in being the under dog.

It isn't until a man attends his own wedding that he realizes how insignificant he really is.

Cast your bread upon the waters and you will realize how many people are out for the dough.

A man's wife may desert him, but when his dog goes back on him his case must be hopeless.

The meanest man I know tips the scales at 200 pounds and yet he refuses to tip the waiter a dime.

Without any reflection upon mankind, it does seem strange that poor people have so many babies and rich people so many pups.

**Sufficient.**

"Yes, we are proud to say that we are a British family," boasted the retired pork packer.

"But you were born in Chicago," protested the reporter.

"Oh, what's the difference? Our bulldog and our butler came from London."

**Cruel.**



Mamie—Oh, Billy, you said a swear word.

Billy—No, I didn't.

Mamie—Yes, you did; and I'm going right in and tell mother.

Billy—You just want an excuse to say it yourself, don't yer?

**The Young Imp.**

"I met the minister this morning," said the little boy in red mitts.

"And did you take your hat off?" asked the fond mother.

"No, I took his hat off."

"Tommy!"

"Yes, with a snowball."

**Susan's Accomplishments.**

Mr. Hayrake—Well! Susan must be stadyin' art.

Mrs. Hayrake—Land cakes!

Mr. Hayrake—Yes, she says: "I am writing this letter in my drawing room."

**Foiled.**

"Archery seems to have played out," sighed the love-sick swain, gazing pointedly at the maid.

"O, I don't know," muttered Cupid, letting go a shaft.

The maiden jumped nearly six feet.

"Ah, at last. Do you feel the promptings of love?" whispered the swain.

"No, I should say not," replied the maid. "It was only a safety pin."

**Mutually Beneficial.**

"Will you keep my daughter in the style to which she has been accustomed?"

"No, sir; I'll keep her in a style to which she has not been accustomed."

"All right, my boy; take her and be happy. Now, her mother and myself will be able to put on a little style to which we have not been accustomed."

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**SCRAMBLED THOUGHTS.**

Ruby noses seldom win ruby lips.

Every time a crank starts in business the devil gains.

Ever notice it—men stretch their legs, women and trees their limbs.

It's a truly unsophisticated fellow who still believes the world is square.

Ever notice how easy it is to be resigned to trouble, if it's the other fellow's?

If there were eleven commandments the last would refer to substituting druggists.

Some doctors believe in doing to their noses what the smoker does to his meerschaum.

There are three kinds of patients: never pay, poor pay and good pay. Which gets your best services? Has it ever occurred to you to do a little training along this line?—Oscar F. Baerens in The Alkaloidal Clinic.

**Those That Weren't Buried.**

"I have not buried a case of pneumonia in the past ten years," remarked a physician noted for not holding his light under a bushel to a fellow practitioner.

"I have heard many of your deceased patients are being cremated," said his friend, who does not like to call a man a liar.

**To Thomas Moore.**

Sweet singer of the fairy-haunted Western Isle  
Where rests the dying Day-God's latest lingering smile;  
Thy native harp, from which thy witching songs were wrung,  
With quivering human heartstrings warm was surely strung!

I little thought that grief could be so near to seize  
A heart at peace when, sunk in pleasurable ease,  
I drank again with new delight the draught divine  
From Fancy's fountain sparkling in those songs of thine.

A sweet intoxication heaved my breast,  
and o'er  
My senses stole a subtle rapture, evermore  
Increasing till the bounds of feeling burst apart,  
And blinding, gushing tears relieved the swelling heart.

Hail, Master Singer! Voice of silent hearts! Our praise  
To many a bard whose lyre emits enchanting lays,  
And fearless laurel that survives the blight of years;  
To thee alone we bring the tribute of our tears.

—Kate O'Connor, in New York Times.

**Beauty Mask Displeased King.**

Margaret of Navarre, queen of Henry IV—she whose wedding torches were quenched in the blood of the massacre of St. Bartholomew—wore a peculiar complexion mask at night, which so irritated her husband that, not being choice in his expressions, he said to her roundly, not long after the wedding day: "Madam, with that confounded black mask on, you look so much like the devil that I'm always tempted to make the sign of the cross to drive you away."

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