PITH AND POINT.

—Illustrious ancestry is a glorious thing to have, but it won't be taken as security for a hot stew.—Chester (Pa.) News.

—A man never realizes how much furniture he owns until he tries to walk rapidly through his house in the dark.—Etoile Belge.

—If men were as ungallant during courtship as they are after marriage, it is doubtful if more than one in ten thousand could ever get a wife.—Ram's Horn.

—"That was an awfully queer thing about Jack Watson's marriage." "What do you mean?" "Why, he married the girl for love, when she had lots of money."

—The people who abuse this world most vehemently while enjoying all its privileges are generally the ones who raise a great fuss over dying.—Washington News.

—Bacon—"So you have been up to Niagara falls? Did you hear the mighty roar of the cataract?" Egbert—"No; I had my wife with me."—Yonkers Statesman.

—Cattle Dealer (looking at an oil painting)—"Alle Wetter! Two thousand marks for the two oxen! That is a lot, and they are lean into the bargain!"—Humoristisches.

—Florence—"Do you know anything about swinging dumb-bells?" Charley—"Well, I guess I do; I had to dance four times with that horrid Miss Flintly last night."—Inter-Ocean.

—The idea of employing pretty women for bill collectors looks feasible, but it would not work. The delinquent debtors would all want them to call again.—Somerville Journal.

—Workman—"Are you in favor of the eight-hour movement, my friend?" Tramp (in tones of disgust)—"Do I look like a chap as was in favor of any kind of movement?"—Comic Cuts.

—Hicks—"Smiddle's wealth, I dare say, is wholly due to his own unaided efforts." Wicks—"On the contrary, the most of it is due to his creditors; but they'll never get any of it."—Boston Transcript.

—Two Wishes.—Adoring One (in lavender kids and a blue scarf)—"Oh, how I wish that I were that book you clasp so lovingly!" She—"How I wish you were, so that I could shut you up."—Yankee Blade.

—Not to be Overlooked.—Bire—"There are at least sixteen things about your sugar I like." Grocer—"Ah, and what are they?" Bire—"The number of ounces to the pound."—Detroit Free Press.

—A Burst of Grief.—Rounder—"What book is that you are weeping over." Old Soak—"Paradise Lost." Rounder—"What do you find in that to weep about?" Old Soak (bursting out afresh)—"It is all about l-lost spirits."—Truth.

—Diner—"Waiter." Waiter—"Yes, sah." Diner—"Can't you take my order? I've been waiting ten minutes." Waiter—"I ain't de gentleman wat waits on dis yer table, sah. De other gentleman'll be heah in a minute, sah."—Boston Courier.

—Miss Kulscher—"Mr. Nibbler, do you write for the papers still?" Mr. Nibbler—"No; I found it didn't pay." I sold a story to an editor for a sovereign five years ago, and then spent three pounds buying the paper before it was published."—Tit-Bits.

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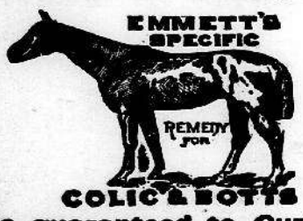

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—Vegetable Soup.—For this I always buy a "ten or fifteen-cent shin" of beef, because there is so much marrow; put on to cook in cold water at nine o'clock; at half-past eleven o'clock have ready four potatoes quartered, or smaller if preferred, two onions, a double handful of cabbage chopped fine, one carrot grated, two tomatoes, and a small red pepper. Lift the beef out on your meat platter, and serve the soup at twelve.—Ohio Farmer.

—Molasses Cup Cake.—One teacupful each of sugar and sweet milk, two eggs, three teacupfuls of flour, half a teacupful butter, a pinch of salt and one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in one teacupful molasses; flavor with a teaspoonful each of cinnamon and ginger. Bake in shallow cups or gem pans. Try it and see if there is enough flour; if not, add as much as needed, but they lose their excellence if too stiff.—Orange Judd Farmer.

—Potato Fats.—Make mashed potato into thin pats while it is warm, and these can be fried in various ways—by dipping in beaten egg and frying in butter, by dipping in egg and then in corn meal and frying in butter, or simply frying after bacon or salt pork. They are also delicious placed on a buttered pan in the oven and basted often with dripping from a beef or mutton roast, and placed around the roast when served.—Country Gentleman.

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—Apple Butter.—This is generally made in large quantities. Boil down a kettleful of cider to two-thirds the original quantity. Pare, core and slice the apples, and put in as many as the cider will just cover. Boil slowly, stirring often with a flat stick, and, when the apples are tender to breaking, take them out with a strainer. Put in a second supply of fruit and repeat the operation. Pour all together into a large tub, cover it, and let it stand for twelve hours. Return it to the kettle and boil the fruit down, stirring all the time, till it attains the consistency of brown soft soap. Spice or flavor to taste; keep it in stone jars in a dry cool place. It should last good right into the spring.—Liverpool Mercury.

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Father (rebukingly)—When I was a little boy I never thought of asking such questions

Tommy (the youngest)—Ah, but papa, when you was a little boy I wasn't born!—Funny Folks.

Horse and Horse.

Barber (pausing in the midst of a rique tale)—Shampoo, sir? Your head is very dirty.

Victim—So is your mouth; shampoo that.—National Tribune.

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Jackson—Do you believe in the theory of a dual nature in man?

Faxon—Yes. Why, look at old Hennessey! He's not himself to-night.—Puck.

IN THE ELECTRICAL WORLD.

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—The students at Harvard university have reorganized the Harvard electric club. Prominent electricians will address the club and members will read papers before it. The club is not to be a purely social organization, but its object is to promote knowledge of electricity and kindred subjects.

—A great sensation has been caused in Jerusalem by the introduction of the electric light into a new and flourishing flouring-mill lately started close to the Damascus Gate. The Arabs and Jews are much puzzled to account for a light in a lamp in which there is no oil, and gaze upon it with wonder.

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—Gen. T. T. Eckert, who is to succeed the late Dr. Norvin Green as president of the Western Union Telegraph Co., is a native of St. Clairsville, O., and sixty-eight years of age. He began at the bottom of the telegraphic ladder in 1849, had charge of the military telegraph at Washington during the war, and upon the consolidation of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Co. with the American Union in 1881 became general manager of the new company.

A SHINING light—Jupiter.—Truth.

CIRCUS performers are counting on a backward spring.—N. O. Picayune.

TO HARROW one's feelings is not the most profitable way of cultivating an acquaintance.—Boston Transcript.

"I WISH snow was what it looks like," said Abner. "If it was it would be cotton, and then it wouldn't never melt."

HE HAD BEEN THERE.—His Honor—"Do you know the nature of an oath?" Witness—"Yes—it's human nature."—Puck.

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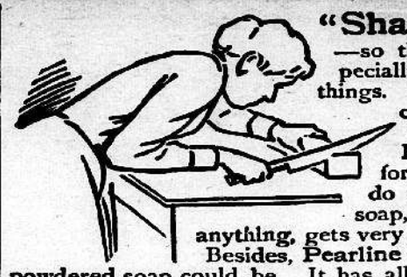

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