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Mary Jane Had Him.

"You can read writing, I presume," he queried, after we talked awhile on the weather, crops, and other matters.

"I hope so," I replied.

"Well, then, may be you'd like to read this. No particular interest to you, but it cost me six hundred dollars—that little scrap of paper."

"It seems to me to be a receipt in full of all damages and accounts from Mary J. Lapham, of Blankville, county of Niagara, and state of New York."

"That's what she is, stranger. Got it this forenoon, after three months' hard work, and I'll be lamplashed if I'm ever caught in that boat again."

"Business transaction?"

"No—love. Paid her six hundred dollars in cold cash to settle a breach of promise suit. I feel as if a ten ton sand hill had been taken off my shoulders."

"Then, as I understand it," I remarked, "you and Mary were in love—engaged—and you broke your promise."

"Precactly. Couldn't have hit it straighter. The trouble was I could not remember that I ever asked her to marry me. I kinder loved to pass away the time. Just felt spooony, and so I spooned. Struck a girl after awhile whom I wanted to marry, and Mary Jane bobs up with a breach of promise—\$20,000. Told her to whistle. Didn't believe she could prove anything. Couldn't remember of writing her more than three letters. She whistled, Mary did. She also employed a lawyer to whistle. He came down and showed me fifty-two of my letters, everyone spouting love as a whole spouts water."

"That was queer."

"I should smile! Hadn't the slightest recollection of them epistles, but they were mine, just the same, and mor'n that, I'd signed the bulk of 'em 'Yours forever and ever, and ten thousand kisses.'"

"Then you had no defense."

"Not a shadder. I was ready to swear I'd never even hinted at marriage, but the lawyer had made twenty-six different paragraphs reading: 'My angel one. Heaven designed you to be my wife. Set the day as soon as possible.' Mary J. had me again. Then she made affidavit of my bugging and squeezing and calling her pet names, and it was no use for me to stand out. Mortgaged my land and slipped down and cried and got a settlement."

"And it is a great moral lesson to you."

"You chuckle! It's a pause in my mad career as a lovist. It's a set-back to my loose ways of doing business. No gal on the face of this earth will ever get that sort of bulge on me again."

"But you have another love affair on hand."

"Jist so, but what have I done. Taken a copy of every letter written, and done all our talking in front of the old man. More'n that, I've obliged the gal to give me a certificate every Saturday night that I haven't popped the question up to date. Kissed her once, but had two witnesses hid in the shed to see that it was a calm, brotherly kiss, and the only time I ever squeeze her hand I put the date right down. Oh, no, they don't Mary Jane me again—not for Joseph and all his relations.—*New York Sun.*

There is not a man, woman or child living, who will ever date a letter or document without using the figure 9, if the document is made complete. Why not? See. The 9 has come to stay many years. It is now on the right, 1889. Next year it will take a step to the left, 1890; stay there ten years, and then take another step to the left, 1900, and there it will remain until you are done dating letters.

"No," sobbed the widow, "I shall never find John's equal, but, perhaps I can find h-his equivalent."

Hibbard's Rheumatic Syrup Cures Our Grandson of Inflammatory Rheumatism.

Last spring my little grandson, Freddie Wells, was stricken down with inflammatory rheumatism. His limbs and hands were very painfully swollen; the poor boy was a great sufferer. One bottle of Hibbard's Rheumatic Syrup, together with the plaster, applied over the parts affected, cured the dear boy. Its efficacy in the treatment of the boy led me to try it, as I had for many years been troubled with dyspepsia and disordered blood—a portion of the time unable to do my work. Six bottles gave me more relief than any medicine I have ever taken. My daughter, Mrs. Harry Stone, was cured from a protracted condition from the effects of rheumatism and liver troubles. We cannot speak in too high terms of this remedy.

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Northern Prejudice Against Negroes.

How strong is the prejudice even among Republicans in a Northern state against allowing the negro any share in the government is freshly illustrated by a letter in the *New York Age* from H. C. Smith, editor of the *Cleveland Gazette*, an organ of the colored men of Ohio. There are five fire commissioners in Cleveland, four of whom are Republicans. The fire department has not a single colored member. Six months ago the commissioners examined about twenty applicants for places in the department. One of the twenty was a negro, and he secured the highest average of the whole number in both physical and mental examinations. Nevertheless he was not appointed and has not been appointed yet, while the Republican commissioners keep on appointing white applicants who stood far below him. There are five police commissioners, four of whom are Republicans. About three months ago three colored men entered the examination for places in that department and passed with a high standing. Not one of them has been appointed, although forty white men who stood lower than the three negroes, have since been given places. The only reason for this unjust discrimination in each case was the color of the skin, and Mr. Smith says that "the same kind of treatment has been given us by every city board controlled by Republicans from which we have asked anything."

As long as white Republicans at the North thus openly and unlawfully manifest their prejudice against the few blacks in their states, it requires an uncommon amount of audacity for them to talk about forcing upon white Democrats at the South a rule to which they will not themselves submit.—*New York Evening Post.*

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CONGRESS should by all means make the position of postmaster an elective one, not even allowing a "removal for cause" clause. The people who are served should choose their servant. A general post-office primary law, applying to all post-offices, fixing the term at four years, and giving every qualified voter in the district served by the post-office a voice in the selection of the postmaster, would relieve one of the severest strains to which the federal government is now subjected. The plan is entirely feasible. In practice neither president nor senate would be apt to object, except upon grounds likely to be generally recognized as sufficient, to any postmaster chosen by vote of the vicinage in accordance with forms prescribed by federal statute.—*Higginsville Advance.*

The county court of Cass county is in trouble again. Some time ago judgment was rendered against the county for \$350,000 on an old bond suit in the federal court, and the other day the judge issued an order for peremptory writs of mandamus against the county court to compel it to levy a tax of 20 per centum on the judgment rendered. The fractional payment is to be made in June, but so far the county court has made no move to levy the tax. These bond suits are relics of Republican misrule in Missouri, and serve to forcibly and constantly remind the tax-payers of the danger of ever permitting that party to regain control of the state.—*Jefferson City Tribune.*

"Did you saw that wood I told you about?" asked the lady of the house of the tramp to whom she had given a dinner. "Madam," he replied, and a look of contempt flitted across his tawny face. "I am surprised that so good a cook and housewife as you should be so ungrammatical. You should say, 'Did you see that wood?'"

"Saw" is proper only in a question referring to the perfect tense. I cannot work for one so uncultured, for fear I should be contaminated, Ta-ta."

DANIEL WOOLF, a clothing merchant of St. Louis, who had been visiting his old home at Springfield, Mo., in trying to jump on a moving freight train at Norwood, Mo., Wednesday, fell under the car and was crushed.

Mother.—"Did you break any of the rules to-day, Tommy?"

Tommy (First day at school)—"No'm; I was a good boy. Teacher broke two though, one on little Harry."

"It seems to me," said Mr. Cleveland in an interview with a St. Louis *Republic* representative in New York the other day, "that there never has been such an advance in any political question as there has lately been in favor of tariff reform. A fair examination of the subject by the people is bearing fruit and gives assurance that its triumph is at hand. So, if among those counted as Democrats there are found timid souls not well grounded in faith, who long for the flesh pot of vacillating shifts and evasions, the answers to their fears should be: 'Party honesty is party expediency.'"

We would like to see the Alliance make two blades of grass grow where one now grows; raise the price of corn to 50 cents a bushel; oats to 25 cents; timothy seed to \$3.00; clover to \$5.00; hay to \$10.00 per ton; hogs and cattle to 5 and 6 cents per pound; but to 25 cents, double the price of farming lands and clean out all the scrub cattle in the county, and set down hard on all the designing demagogues who are trying to use the Farmers' Alliance to further their political schemes.—*Kirkville Journal.*

REV. SAM JONES is one of the most eloquent preachers this country ever produced. When under full headway he has a command of language which Beecher and Talmage never dreamed of. We extract a single gem from a recent sermon. He remarked: "John the Baptist was the bravest type of Christian I know of. He just jumped on Herod and paved his feathers out."—*N. Y. Herald.*

The following lines were written by a young poet in this community, who at the time was probably surcharged with the "divine afflatus."

"This evening and the setting sun is rising in the wide, wide west. The rapid rivers slowly run, the frog is in its downy nest, The pensive goat and sportive cow hilariously hop from bough to bough."

A St. JOSEPH woman is suing her husband for divorce on the charge that he has lived in the same room with her for six months without uttering a word to her. She says it is a cruelty she cannot stand. This is a world of trouble. If you talk you get yourself into trouble and the same is sure to be the result if you keep your mouth shut.

A MAN at Larned, Kansas, has recovered judgment against the German Insurance company for \$1,700 on account of malicious prosecution. He had his house insured and it burned down. The company claimed he set it on fire, and, failing to prove their charge, the man brought suit as stated and won the lot.

HENRY HOPKINS, a pioneer gold digger, buried \$7,000 in gold dust near Plattsmouth, Neb., in 1849, at which place he was supposed to have been subsequently killed. Last week two of the murdered man's nephews unearthed the long hidden treasure which had been buried in a copper pot for forty years.

A WELL-GROWN Ben Davis apple tree, it is said, will yield at eight years old, from two to four bushels of fruit; at ten to twelve years, six to eight bushels; at fifteen years, ten to twelve bushels. As the tree matures the crop increases largely.

Old men who get angry at the vivacity and sportiveness of youth, might as well find fault with the spring because it produces nothing but blossoms, or expect the fruit of autumn at that early season.

One of the greatest evils in the world is that men praise more than practice virtue. The praise of honest industry is on every tongue; but it is very rare that the worker is respected more than the drone.

He that to what he sees adds observation, and to what he reads, reflection, is in the right road to knowledge, provided that in scrutinizing the hearts of others he neglects not his own.

The Women's Christian temperance convention of the Third Missouri congressional district closed a two days' session at Hamilton Wednesday.

Mrs. B. F. HOLLAND, wife of a sign painter of Nevada, Mo., attempted suicide Tuesday night by taking oil of tansy. Cause jealousy. She was alive at last accounts.

The test of a man is not whether he can govern a kingdom single-handed, but whether his private life is tender and beneficent, and his wife and children happy.

G. T. WINNER's dry goods and general store, Nevada, Mo., was closed by the sheriff Tuesday night. The assets are \$10,000. Most of the creditors are firms.

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