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## HUMOROUS.

"I like this hat," said Isabel. "It makes my face look long and well; But when dear father saw the bill it made his face look longer still."—Judge.

Debt is the only thing that enlarges the more it is contracted.—Philadelphia North American.

Cora—"Did he get on his knees when he proposed?" Carrie—"No; but I did."—New York Herald.

Merchant—"What is the hardest part of your work?" Bill Collector—"When it is all done."—New York Journal.

Geo—"You would marry the biggest fool in the world, if he asked you, wouldn't you?" "Oh, George, this is so sudden!"—Vogue.

"I know I'm a little irritable, but if I had to live my life again I'd marry you just the same." "H'm! I have my doubts about it."—Judy.

"Well, here's another of them skin games, I've discovered." Bangs—"What's that?" "The bill for my wife's seal cloak."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The actor—"I say Jane, what is the difference between a bill-board and a board-bill?" Actor's wife—"Well, you can't jump the bill-board."—Life.

Minister—"Brother Perkins, to what do you attribute your son's keenness in obeying your orders—pious teaching?" Brother Perkins—"No; my razor strap."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

She—"How little salary do you think a young man might marry on?" He—"Well, if the girl is extra old and ugly she ought to give him \$5,000 a year at the very least."—Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Sauer—"I don't consider marriage a lottery. Do you?" Mr. Sauer—"No! If a man draws a blank in a lottery, he can tear it up and take another chance."—Puck.

Stranger—"What a cheerless, dreary, depressing-looking building that is!" Native—"Oh, that's only a school. Do you like fine architecture?" "I do." "Wait till you see our new jail."—Good News.

Little son—"What is bricks made of?" Mrs. Youngma—"Bricks are made of clay." "But clay is soft, ma." "After the clay is shaped, the bricks are baked." "Oh, yes, I know now. Like your biscuits."—Good News.

Tourist—"You've got rather a nice town here for its size."

Westerner—"Town! Say, young feller, if yer want to get back home to yer ma don't yer be callin' these western metropolises towns."—Judge.

He—"I have your mother's consent, and now—" She—"It can never be, sir. I highly respect you and will be a sister to you, but—" He—"Hold on; you will be a daughter to me. I'm going to marry your mother."—Truth.

"Papa," said the young woman of expensive tastes, "did you foot my bill last night?" "Humph," growled the old gentleman, "I don't know whether his name is Bill or not. But I footed him."—Washington Star.

Mr. Snarley—"Your sex are natural born scandal-mongers. I often wonder how you manage to get hold of all the latest scandals of the day." The ladies (in chorus)—"Our husbands and brothers bring them home from the club to us."—Puck.

He—"What disagreeable things that Miss Smarte can say! I heard her say, after the party last night, she was surprised that I had made such a fool of myself." She—"Oh, I wouldn't mind. She never would have said it had she known you thoroughly."—Boston Transcript.

"My dear," said he to his lady love, "I've been busy all day; not manual labor, you know, but brain work, which is the hardest kind." "Yes, indeed; I know it must be for you," and there was a look of tender sympathy in her eyes which aroused him.—New York News.

The sister's beau—So, Johnny, you're going to be a chemist like papa, eh? And did you know this diamond of mine was the same substance as charcoal?

Johnny—No.

T. S. B.—And hasn't papa told you that?

Johnny—No. He said it was

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## Five Million Dollars a Year From Waste Heaps.

In the Witwatersrand gold district of South Africa, the discovery of a process for treating "tailings" has enabled the gold-field proprietors to recover the valuable bullion from what were till lately but waste heaps.

The process is simple, and of general as well as special interest. When the gold quartz, or sand, has passed through the stamps, it is crushed to the fineness of flour. This very fine sand is washed over copper plates impregnated with mercury. The sand, with water added, forms a sort of sludge. The gold in the sludge attaches itself to the prepared plates, but a certain proportion of it passes away with the sludge into the waste heaps, "tailings," which were regarded as worthless, in fact an encumbrance on the mine.

Now, however, a very different opinion is entertained, for the new cyanide process makes it possible and profitable to extract the gold still left in the refuse.

The works for treating tailings may be briefly described as follows: There is a staircase with four steps. On the top is a tank containing a solution of cyanide of potassium; on the next lower step there is a much larger tank which is filled with the "sand" taken from the waste heaps.

A pipe from the top tank permits the solution of cyanide to permeate the sand, and the gold that is contained in the tailings is dissolved into the cyanide solution just as if it were so much sugar.

A tap from the bottom tank containing the tailings permits this sugar and water mixture of cyanide solution containing gold to pass to the next lower step, where there is a small apparatus of fine shaving of zinc contained in a box. The gold in solution has an affinity for zinc and is deposited on these shavings, leaving the practically clear solution of cyanide and water to pass to the fourth step, where there is a tank for its reception. The solution is pumped to the top step again, and the process goes on.

The apparatus at the third step is occasionally lifted, and the deposit of gold, in a sort of black powder on the zinc shavings, is simply washed off. This black powder is melted and becomes bullion.

It is computed that in South Africa alone 20,000 oz. of gold per month are recoverable from tailings by the process, equal in value to nearly \$5,000,000 per annum.

So successful has the plan been that it is now proposed to introduce it into Mexican mines where silver is almost always accompanied with gold. The cyanide process can be applied to the extraction of silver and gold simultaneously, from similar tailings in Mexico, and rich results are anticipated from the application of the method to the mines of that country.

## Very Funny.

"It's funny," said the street car conductor, "how things run in this business. Now, if I carry a one-armed man in the morning, I'm pretty sure to carry one-armed men all day."

"I've noticed that," said the conductor, who was off duty and who was riding down town in the rear seat. "Same way with one-legged men, too. Beats all how many men there are in this town who have lost parts of themselves."

"That's right," said the first conductor. "I noticed that when I came down the other afternoon. Up at the corner of Bryant street a one-armed man got on. Two blocks farther down a man with one of his legs gone climbed aboard. Then it was a steady stream of them—a man with both arms cut off and a man with both legs cut off. Then came a man with both arms and one leg cut off, who was toted around by another man, and a man with both legs and one arm off. Then there was a man who had an eye gone and a man with both ears cut off."

"Funniest thing, though, was a man who got on at Swan street who looked to be all right. He made sort of sign to me when I took his fare, and I didn't understand it. So I asked him what he meant. He made another sign, 'Can't you talk?' said I, and he he shook his head and opened his mouth, and I'll be jiggered if his tongue wasn't cut off."

"That was sorter queer," said the conductor, "but it was kinder lucky, too."

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## How do you make that out?

asked the other conductor. "I don't see how the poor cuss was in luck," "Oh, yes, he was," replied the other conductor. "He couldn't possibly be such a blamed liar as you are. See?"

And then a dead silence fell over the rear of the car, broken only by the chuckles of the fat passenger who wore an alpaca coat.—Buffalo Express.

## Incessant Talkers

To be a good talker does not mean that you must talk all the time. The art of conversation lies quite as much in knowing how to listen and to draw out by adroit questioning as to baffle incessantly. There are some people who talk all the time, but never say anything after all that is worth remembering. Such characters are responsible largely for the supposition that one can be talked to death, and as sorry as we are to say so, the fact remains that women are generally of that order, like the brook going on forever, and driving their listeners mad with their incessant crackle that means nothing.

Every one of us knows such an individual. She is generally plain of face and feature, and would be a real good soul if at some period of her existence she had not been told that she was bright. To live up to this reputation she thinks it necessary to gabble, gabble, telling you always in her coy way that her husband looked for brains not beauty when he chose her.

Poor man—if he appears content for anything, he evidently wishes that he had married a woman dumb in more senses than one, though he would never have the courage to air any convictions of that sort.

There is no conversation where such creatures abound. From beginning to end it is a monologue of no possible interest to any one but the owner of the voice that goes on forever. We are selfish lot and frankly confess that it isn't a bit of fun to do all the listening when we are just dying to get our own in and do a little showing off ourselves.—Philadelphia Times.

## Josh Billings' Philosophy.

The biggest hipokrits in the world are those who pia lamb. The eyes are the windows of the heart, and the ears are the windows of the brain.

If there wa'n't nothing but truth in the world, we could get along with one third of the languages we now use.

A prudent man is one who trusts in God, and keeps his eye on the pot when it's a bileing.

If there wa'n't no ignorance there would be no prejudice, for everything would be valued just accordin tew its worth.

You may giv every man yu meet the whole of the road if yu hav a mind to, but yu must not expect to git enny kredit for it.

Slander iz often half true and half false, and the lie that iz in it iz the most respectabel part of it.

Slander iz a poisoned arro, shot bi a concealed coward.

A sophist seems tew be a party who, having succeeded in cheating himself, iz anxious tew serve others in the same way.

Pedigree may be ov sum use tew a race-horse; but ov what use it can be tew a man, iz a mystery tew me.

Good story-tellers are not only karse, but their stok in trade soon run out.

A man can travel a grate ways on a good story, but he can't stay in one place with it long.

I kno a man who can make a