



Trembling suitor: "Sir, I cannot live without your daughter." Crusty father: "Nonsense! There are plenty of free lunch joints if you want to hunt them up."—Cleveland Leader.

He: "What is a crank?" She: "Why, a person with one idea." He: "Would you call me a crank?" She: "Why not? I never gave you credit for having one idea."—Baltimore Sun.

Husband (groaning): "The rheumatism in my leg is coming again." Wife (with sympathy): "Oh, I'm sorry, John! I wanted to do some shopping to-day, and that is a sure sign of rain."—Tid-Bits.

"There was a strange man here to see you to-day, papa," said little Ethel, as she ran to meet her father in the hall. "Did he have a bill?" "No, papa. He had just a plain nose."—Household Words.

Teacher: "How many divisions of mankind are there?" Bobby: "My paw says it is divided into the people who earn a living without getting it, and those who get a living without earning it."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Bob: "I don't see much use in my studying Greek." His father: "Why not, my son?" Bob: "According to all accounts, there ain't going to be any Greeks after a while. I think I'll study Turkish."—Harper's Round Table.

"I wonder," said the fair-haired maid, "if there will be any more love when woman is the acknowledged peer of man in intellect?" "What," asked the rheumatic bachelor, "has love got to do with intellect?"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Here's another case of extremes meeting." "What?" "Not long ago you couldn't hire a messenger boy to hurry; now, since they've put him on a bike, you've got to fine him to keep him from screeching."—Philadelphia North American.

A humorist leaps gayly upon the step of an omnibus and cries cheerfully to the conductor: "Is the ark full?" "No, sir," replies the jovial conductor, "we have kept a seat for you. What hol within there! Room for the monkey?"—Tid Bits.

"My child, do you think he has the force of perseverance to raise himself to your level?" "I am sure he has, mamma. Why, have you forgotten the time the elevator was broken, how he climbed the whole eight stories?"—Detroit Journal.

"You say that you want money to buy food for a hungry man whose face you never saw up to this time?" "Yes, sir," replied Meandering Mike. "Where is he?" "He's standin' right here," was the hesitating reply. "I'm him."—Washington Star.

"I have observed," said the sweet young thing, "that it is the man who has never married who knows all about women." "Certainly," said the unhappy bachelor. "It is the man who knows all about women who never marries."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Professor: "Mr. Oar, this is an example in subtraction: Seven boys went down the river to bathe, but two of them had been told not to go in the water. Now, can you tell me how many went in?" Oar: "Yes, sir; seven."—Michigan University Winkler.

Hilarious Hilary: "Cheer up, pal. All's not lost us fer happiness yit. I jes see a most inspirin' sight." Doleful Dorian: "What was it?" "Eighty Italians layin' de ties on a railroad down here fer free American citizens t' walk over!"—New York Journal.

"Biggie's wife doesn't insist on retaining possession of the latch key any more," suggested Mr. Meekton. "No," replied Mrs. Meekton, "she has found a better way to make sure that her husband stays home after dark." "What is it?" "She has taken the lamp off the bicycle."—Washington Star.

"That man Nibley isn't to be trusted. He'd take advantage of you quicker than a wink if he saw a chance to do so." "How do you know that?" "I overheard him and his wife in an argument last night, and when he saw that she was getting ahead of him he yelled, 'Look out! There's a mouse.'"—Cleveland Leader.

Dismal Dawson: "Funny, ain't it, that a millionaire ain't happy?" Everett West: "I see nothing strange about it. It is the time they have wasted that makes 'em some when they think of it." "Time wasted?" "Sure. Don't you know that most of 'em has spent their lives in hard work?"—Indianapolis Journal.

"Judge, would it be sufficient cause for divorce if a man refused to let his wife wear bloomers?" "That is absolutely a hypothetical question," said the learned jurist, "that is hardly worth consideration. The woman who wants to wear bloomers is never the woman whose husband has any say."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Weary Waggles: "Dis female suffrage racket is boss. I picked up an ole Sunday paper terday, an' I see de wimmin' are drivin' de men out of de jobs." Wandering Willie: "Dat's tuff, ain't it?" Weary Waggles: "Not by a long shot. Ef de wimmin ever git ter doin' all de work in dis world, I wudn't be surprised ef I got married."—New York Journal.

Gentleman (to landlady): "Your terms are very high." Landlady: "But consider the cheerful view, sir." Gentleman: "Cheerful view? Why, there's a cemetery right opposite; I don't call that very cheerful." Landlady: "Oh, yes, sir. Reflect how comfortin' and cheerin' it will be when you gaze out to think that you're not there."—Boston Traveler.

Son: "Pa, what is a whisky straight?" Father (who knows whereof): "Er—well, my boy, a large swolled head; an enormous impression of great and sudden wealth, a disposition to fight a man twice your size; an aptness for making the world to appear lopsided and to be revolving rapidly; any one of them may be properly called a whisky's trait."—Harlem Life.

Where the Boom Had Died. "It must be awful to be broke away out West." "I didn't find it so. I had a pretty good suit of clothes, so I pretended to be wanting to invest in real estate. Nothing was too good for me."—Indianapolis Journal.

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