

SMILES AND SUCH

HUMOROUS GLEANINGS FROM
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HE SAW THE GOVERNOR

The following story which is going round Washington points a moral too obvious for comment. A man with a very important air recently got on board a Western train, seated himself beside a quiet, unobtrusive stranger and began a conversation. "I'm on my way to the capital," said the important one, "to get a pardon for a convicted thief. I am not acquainted with the governor personally, but he will have to listen to me because he can't afford not to."

"Is the man guilty?" asked the stranger.

"Certainly he is, but that doesn't matter. His friends have promised me \$500 if I get him out and it's a pretty cold day when my line of talk runs out. Where are you traveling?"

"I'm going to the capital, too."

"Do you live there?"

"Yes."

"Perhaps you could help me. May I inquire what business you are in?"

"I'm the governor."