

BUSINESS IS BUSINESS

By M. QUAD

The village of Exter numbered 1,200 inhabitants and was accounted an interesting place. That was why George Bailey, who had just graduated as a dentist, opened parlors there. It could be figured as straight as a string that 1,200 men, women and children had teeth enough to keep three dentists on the bump.

It was only natural that Mr. Bailey should observe the teeth of the people he had come among. He met perhaps a dozen in the 1,200 whose teeth were in good order. There was no doubt that the graduate had come to the right spot and struck a soft thing.

A week went by and Mr. Bailey hadn't had a customer. Then a second week passed. Then he went about to inquire what was the matter. He ran up against a grocer, who told him:

"Why, I supposed you knew all about it," said the grocer. "Some six years ago a dentist set up here, and in pulling a tooth for old Mrs. Joyce he pulled her neck out about two feet long, and she died next day. Too much neck, you see. The dentist had to fly for his life. Since that date none of us dare patronize a dentist."

At the end of the third week Mr. Bailey offered to fix the teeth of a minister for nothing. The minister said he was much obliged, but he hadn't yet fulfilled his mission on earth.

Did Mr. Bailey set his office afloat and then go out and hang himself? Not at all. He knew just what to do in such a case, and he did it. He went up to Chicago and walked out a bit until he found Professor Donaldson.

The professor was the champion painless tooth puller of America. By day he was in his office; when evening came he dressed up as a harlequin and drove about the streets and pulled teeth without charge. Mr. Bailey and the professor had a long and chummy talk together, and an agreement was reached. Three days after the talk the dentist was back at Exter. A day later the professor followed. He had a wagon and music. He had flags and banners and prancing horses. He had the whole town on the street, and he delivered a lecture on bad teeth.

Bad teeth were responsible for headaches, fatulency, dimness of vision, loss of memory, biliousness, liver complaint and a score of other things. Bad teeth filled graveyards. Bad teeth prevented happy marriages. Bad teeth caused half the crimes committed. Bad teeth caused 10,000 divorces per year. It was because of the bad teeth of the soldiers that Germany conquered France. It was only a lecture on bad teeth and the results this evening. Tomorrow evening the professor would show the good people of Exter what a true philanthropist he was. There would be something doing, and it shouldn't cost any citizen a cent.

When the next evening came the professor made a few general remarks and then offered to pull teeth free of charge. It would be painless. If any one felt the slightest twinge of pain that person was to be presented with a five dollar gold piece. Aye, the professor would do better than that. He would furnish sets of false teeth at the low price of \$2 a set. Single teeth would be only 20 cents each. No more headaches in Exter and the death rate reduced 50 per cent.

Three evenings it took the professor to reach the last tooth. No hurt, and nobody out a cent. There were a few people who sympathized with Mr. Bailey and called to tell him so, but he had folded his tent and gone off fishing, and it was a long fortnight before he returned. What of the people who had got something for nothing? They had had from one to six teeth extracted. Many of them were "on their gums" alone. Scores were hissing as they talked. Other scores uttered a hiss as they started out to talk. For three weeks they went about patting each other on the back and calling Professor Donaldson the friend of humanity. Then it suddenly occurred to some one to ask when he was going to return and make good. He had been indefinite about the date. They rushed to the office of Dentist Bailey, but he could tell them nothing beyond the fact that he had the best kind of luck fishing. Letters were written to the professor, but they remained unanswered. A committee was sent to Chicago, 100 miles away, but it failed to find its man.

Then you must see what happened. Dentist Bailey was ready for the rush that came. He had secured an assistant in anticipation. His stairs groaned under the weight of callers. They wanted to be fitted from two front teeth to all their mouths would hold. There was work for a year ahead, and there was money in the work. It was weeks and weeks before one man in Exter would take another man's word, but had to have everything in writing.

When a man hisses and hisses and mumbles as he talks how are you going to know what he is driving at? There was some attempt to connect Mr. Bailey with Professor Donaldson, but it fell flat. You can't figure out things with your empty mouth. It was six months before the churches had their usual congregations again and somewhat longer than that before lawn parties and classes candy pulls were indulged in again, but there came a time when the stranger who rode through Exter afterward bragged not of the clean streets and happy faces he saw, but of the white, even teeth that met his gaze on every hand.

A Beneficial Shock.
One day a gentleman gave half a crown to a "deaf and dumb" beggar, who, quite taken off his guard by such unusual munificence, exclaimed: "Bless you, sir; Bless you!"

"Hello!" said the gentleman. "I thought you were deaf and dumb."
"So I was, sir," replied the beggar, "but your extraordinary generosity was such a shock—such a pleasant shock—to the system that it has restored my speech and hearing. Bless you again, sir; a thousand times!"—London Tit-Bits.

MANY BASEBALL TEAMS REPEAT

Athletics, Rochester, and Minneapolis Are Come Backs.

WAS BANNER YEAR FOR GAME

Due to interesting Races in Different Leagues Club Owners Made Fortunes—Few "Busted" Leagues—National Race a Good One.

The 1911 baseball season has been the most successful in the history of the national game. The number of "busted" leagues has been much less than in any previous year, and this in spite of the fact that the average salaries paid the players this year have been much in excess of those paid last season and previous seasons.

In the National league there has been the most exciting contest for the pennant in the history of that organization, New York winning out after a hard fight. Detroit set the American league "on fire" with a great record of early victories, but the Athletics after a great race won the championship.

The Eastern league race was not definitely decided until just before the finish. Rochester leading practically all the season, but in the final few weeks the Toronto and Baltimore teams were very dangerous to the leaders.

Minneapolis, strengthened by new players, made a good finish in the American association and won easily.

On the Pacific coast there is a great race on for pennant honors. Oakland, Vernon and Portland are now fighting it out for first honors, with Sacramento bobbing up every now and again to upset the calculations.

The New York State league race was the closest in years, and, while the Wilkesbarre Barons set a couple of new records by taking their third consecutive pennant and by leading the league from the first to last days, their supremacy was menaced until the very final week, and but for the fact that Albany and Troy proved weak road teams Bill Clymer might not now be boasting of his sixth pennant in seven seasons.

So close was the Connecticut State league season that the pennant was in doubt until the very last week, and the same can be said of the New England league.

Akron won the pennant in the Ohio-Pennsylvania circuit and set a new record of four consecutive wins.

The 1910 pennant winners of the Illinois-Missouri league, the Pekin team, put up a game battle, but lost out by twelve points to Clinton.

Numerous other close races could be cited. Taken altogether, baseball has never before enjoyed the prosperity that has marked the season of 1911, and already new and greater plans are being made for 1912.

WHERE THE 1911 PENNANTS WILL FLY.

Table listing various leagues and their 1911 champions, such as Eastern League (Rochester), Southern League (New Orleans), etc.

UP TO DATE FOOTBALL TRICKS

Stagg of Chicago Says Old Time Tactics Will Not Win Championship. Stagg, coach of the University of Chicago, says that up to date tricks on the gridiron will win most of the games this season.

After he had analyzed the recent scores Stagg made the prediction that old style tactics would not be likely to land any team on top this year. He attributed the good scores of some of the eastern teams to the presence of first class stars and the poor caliber of the beaten team, but declared that old fashioned football would be relegated to the discard later in the season when the championship contenders get together.

YOST DISCOVERS DROP KICKER

Herrington Shows Great Form in Booting the Oval.

Coach "Hurry Up" Yost of the Michigan football team claims he has unearthed what looks to be a find in the person of Herrington, the stocky half-back, who recently showed wonderful form at drop kicking goals during practice.

The thirty and thirty-five yard lines were easy for him, and it seemed to make no difference what the angle was at which he tried.

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COUNTY COURT

Table listing court proceedings, including names like R. B. Beattie, J. E. Sealey, and amounts.

Table listing names and amounts, including R. L. Holman, Mrs. Kate M. Parker, L. Adams, etc.

Table listing road damages, tax rebates, and wild animal bounty.

CORRESPONDENCE SANDY.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barbour have returned from Portland where they visited several days.

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Leigh Harbour, who had been spending a week here visiting his parents, was called back to his work in Portland by phone Thursday. J. W. Dickson, manager of the Firwood Lumber Company, is suffering from neuralgia in the face. Warren Wilkins is spending the week in the mountains hunting. A. L. Moxley is building a house on his ranch. Mrs. C. E. Moran spent part of the week in Portland. William Polifka has built a shack on his property near Sandy. Ed. Bruns is hauling ties for the Strause Lumber Company.

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