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THE DEVIL GETS MORE THAN HIS DUE.

Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews, of the University of Nebraska, has resurrected the devil and cast upon his Satanic Majesty the odium of hoodlum football. One can imagine the straits to which a man of scholarly attainments and enlightened mind has been reduced by the unseemly hilarity, bordering upon ruffianism, of the football team of his college, celebrating a victory over a rival team.

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FIVE-MINUTE BOOK TALKS.

No. 1.—The completed works of George Crabbe. The first complete collection of Crabbe's poems was published by Murray in 1834. That of 1861 was virtually the same book. A copy of it is within reach of the writer's hand—a copious, much-cherished volume, containing a charming life of the poet, by his son; the poems admirably edited, with critical notes from eminent poets and engravers, which include a fine copy of Phillips' portrait of the author.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

Sweet Sabbath belles! The early worm is run over by the milk wagon. Mayor Tom Johnson evidently believes in protection. Does a Scotch dance always end in a Scotch high-bail. The court could see only the "Mysterious" side of the sailors' row. What is the animal most like a man? The creature that talks during the soft passages at a concert. A man in New York killed himself on the eve of his second marriage. Dan has no terrors like a woman—sometimes. There are still some property-owners who, when confronted by a sidewalk inspector, think it is never too late to mend. President Roosevelt first issues a Thanksgiving proclamation and then goes turkey shooting. He always does everything up to the hilt. According to the New York Journal the true sign for a man that a girl loves him is the trembling of her hand in his. It does not explain how the man is to get hold of the hand. Every year some youngster finds his Halloween joke end in a few weeks in bed. There is always a curmudgeon who thinks he is entitled to defend valuable property from destruction. She was a sweet young thing, and as he walked along by her side he suddenly remembered that she had been vaccinated and had never made Quaker, says November Lippincott. "You have been vaccinated, haven't you?" he asked. "How is your arm?" She turned to him a face that was only too plainly showing that she was suffering, and replied mournfully, "Oh, it's so sore I can hardly walk on it." And then she wondered why he laughed. Babies in the theater are not the attraction some people would like to suppose they are. A baby anywhere is a doubtful element and when a shrill yell greets the ardent lines of a wooer who has trouble enough to fowl the villain before the curtain goes down on the fourth act, there is always a temptation to offer the infant as a sacrifice to outraged Theatres. There is but one sort of public amusement where the baby is quite in its place. Concert-goers will never notice an infant's weeping, because, you know, everybody talks anyway while the music is going. Sol Smith Russell, who saw humor in many commonplace happenings, used frequently to tell of meeting an old farmer at a railway station in a small New York town whose philosophy was particularly pat, even though his deductions were hardly complimentary to the actor. Russell and his companions were awaiting the train when the old gentleman walked up, eyed the star a minute or two, and asked: "Be you the fellow that cut up capers at Parker's Hall last night?" "My company and I gave a performance there last evening—yes," replied Russell, politely. "I thought so! I was there and I had to laugh sometimes. I wanted to tell you about my boy. He's just your way—ain't no good for work. Won't stick to anything, but wants to play clown and crack jokes all the time. He's got a job at the hub factory, but all he does is to keep the men a-laughin' when they order me workin'. You order take him long with your troupe, for he's the derndest fool I ever seen!" When President Roosevelt, during his recent tour of New England, stopped for a few minutes at White River Junction, Vermont, Senator Redfield Proctor, of Vermont, was in the party and noticed Captain Horace French, of Lebanon, N. H., in the crowd that had gathered around, says the New York Commercial. Senator Proctor was in the same regiment as the Captain—the Third Vermont in the Civil War, and immediately called to French to come up on the platform of the President's car. Captain French did so, and was introduced to the President as "one of the bravest men in the Army." "I am certainly most pleased to meet you, Captain," said the President. "The Senator has paid you a great compliment—that statement in which he places you among the bravest men in the Army means a good deal." "Senator Proctor refers to the War of Rebellion," said Captain French. "The bravest officer in the Spanish War is before me." The President was apparently much pleased with the compliment, as could be seen from the smile that he wore as the train pulled out of the station a few minutes later. The other night, after the cars had stopped running, a woman walked wearily from the darkness of Front out under the lights of Morrison-street bridge. When she reached the middle of the draw, her strength seemed to give out and she leaned for a moment on the rail and looked out and down the river sweeping silently under the dark sky. The bridge-tender watched her for a second and then quietly beckoned to a companion. "It's a clean case," he whispered. "Catch her before she goes over," said the other. The two men stealthily stepped across the roadway and halted a little behind the unconscious woman. She shifted her position and stretched her arm out on the rail. Her face under the striding light showed weary and utter weariness. The bridge-tender detected, as he thought, a trait tricking down her cheek. He nudged his companion and they stepped forward within arm's reach. Suddenly there came sounds of hurrying feet and a man dashed along the west approach. The woman turned half around and then turned again to the river. "Now," whispered the rescuer. "But before they could catch her, a man rushed up and cried: "Mary!" She swept fiercely about and her voice rang out bitterly. "We've missed the last car to Sunnyside!" "We're wearing patent-leather shoes," groaned her husband as the bridge-tender and his comrade vanished. The Mile. It flows through old hush'd Egypt and its sands, Like some grave mighty thought breathing a dream. Cave, pillars, pyramids, the shepherd bands, That roam'd through the young world, the sea, Of high Sesostris, and that southern beam, The laughing queen that caught the world's first brand, The mightier silence, sterner and strong. As of a world left empty of its throng, And hear the fruitful stream leaping along 'Tis villages, and think how she shall take Our own calm journey on for human sake.