SHEAR NONSENSE

Clara—And are you still searching for your ideal man? Maude—No; I have quit reading novels.

She—Don't you think short skirts make a woman look shorter? He—Yes, but they make the men look longer.—Judy.

"You can't keep a secret, Marie." "Yes, I can, but I always happen to tell things to other girls who can't."—Chicago Record.

"Kill that mosquito, why don't you?" "I would, you know, but I hate to lay violent hands on my own flesh and blood."—Life.

Myer—Was Smyth's marriage a failure? Gyer—Failure isn't a name for it. Why, it proved to be a regular Delaware peach crop.

"The Filipinos haven't any idea what a humane people we are." "No; they are being taught, however, that appearances are deceitful."—Life.

Bill—Did you ever know an amateur fisherman to tell the truth? Jill—Oh, yes; I heard one tell another that he was a liar.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Charlie Bingle is looking for a coat of arms." "Any success?" "Yep. He's found his great-grandfather was a tailor."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Goodness, John! How queer the baby looks. I believe he is going to have a fit!" "By George! I believe you are right. Where is my camera?" —Tid-Bits.

Nexdoor—I haven't heard your dog barking at night for some time. Homer —No, guess the poor fellow got discouraged. We have twins at our house now, you know.

Mrs. Van Swamp—William, dear, as you have another chill coming on, will you kindly hold the baby's rattle in your hand? It amuses the sweet precious so much!—Bazar.

First Country Sport—Where do you put up when you go to New York? Second Country Sport—Oh, I'm not a bit particular; all pawnbrokers look alike to me."—Exchange.

He—Do you know, darling, that I think it makes me a better man every time I kiss you. She—Well, at the pace you are going now there will soon be no more room for improvement.

"No sensible girl would elope with the coachman to-day." "Why, no! Coachmen are back numbers. She'd fly with the man who runs the automobile."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Little Willie—Say, pa, what's a redundancy of expression? Pa—Using more words than are necessary to express one's meaning, such as "wealthy iceman," "wealthy plumber," etc.

Mr. Stayer (time, 11:30 p. m.)—Are you interested in baseball, Miss De Jones? Miss De Jones (suppressing a yawn)—Yes, to a certain extent. I dearly love to see a man make a home run occasionally.

A strong recommendation: "But, sir, what has your candidate ever done to deserve the support of the people?" "Well, for one thing, this is the first time he has ever run for office."—Chicago Journal.

Teacher—For what else was Julius Caesar noted? Tommy Tucker (who had studied the lesson somewhat hastily)—His great strength, ma'am. He threw a bridge across the Rhine.—Chicago Tribune.

"The codfish," said the professor, "lays considerably more than a million eggs." "It is exceedingly lucky for the codfish that she doesn't have to cackle over every egg," said the student who came from the country.—Tit-Bits.

Softleigh—I—aw—am weally getting to be—aw—quite a poet, doncher know. Miss Cutting—Indeed! Softleigh—Yaws; I have a little book in which I—aw—write down me thoughts in whyme evahwy night before wetiring. Miss Cutting—It will be a volume of blank verse when finished, I suppose.

"I hope you are one of the people who can keep cool in the presence of danger." "I am," answered the man who wanted a place as a private watchman. "Have you ever demonstrated it?" "I have; I once came near being drowned in a skating pond."—Washington Star.

"What is the woman's offense?" "She threw a brick at a neighbor woman, your Honor, and hit a man standing behind her." "The man is guilty of contributory negligence. If he hadn't been an idiot he would have stood in front of her. Case is dismissed."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"I'll bet a thousand," shouted the excited politician, "that the editor had no proofs of those damaging stories he published against the boss." "I'll go you," retorted the little man with a high forehead and two pairs of glasses. "He had the proofs and went through them, word for word, and O. K.'d the revise." "Who in thunder are you?" "I'm the proof-reader."—Detroit Free Press.

In 28 days not a scrap of food or nourishment of any kind passed the lips of Milton Rathbun, of Mount Vernon, N. Y. When he began his voluntary fast he weighed 210 pounds; his abstinence caused the loss of 42 pounds and it has caused him no apparent injury.

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A fatal bed is pointed out to visitors in an engine house in Macon, Ga. Four men died soon after occupying it and one of its latest occupants declares that the ghost of one of the dead firemen laid his icy hand upon him, and he believes that he is soon to join him.

Evolution of an Ocean.

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Mrs. J. Washburn, of Watertown, Mass., put some lime in a bottle to slack it, and after pouring hot water upon it, tightly closed the bottle. In a few minutes there was a thundering explosion, cutting her face with the flying glass and burning her eyes with the lime water.

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