

## Spring Humors

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### Poor in Spelling.

Charles Steckler and a friend were driving along a country road on the Canadian shore of Lake Ontario when this sign, nailed to a gatepost, attracted their attention:

I AM SHEEP.

"Now, what does that fellow mean?" mused Mr. Steckler. "Is his name Lamb, and has he got sheep for sale, or is his name Sheep, and has he got lamb for sale?"

Halling a native, Mr. Steckler repeated the question. The native grinned and drawled:

"'Tis a little bit complex, come to look at it, ain't it? Farmer Towle there ain't much on spelling, but he's powerful strong at trading. What he's trying to let people know by that sign is that he has lamb for sale and that he'll sell it cheap."

### This is Miraculous.

Manhattan, Kansas, March 14.—One of the strangest cases that has ever been heard of in Riley county is that of the three year old daughter of Mr. Jonas Brubaker of this place.

Sometime ago the little girl took whooping cough, which was followed by pneumonia. When the pneumonia left her, she was taken down with malaria fever with at times symptoms of Spinal Meningitis.

The family doctor brought her safely through these troubles, but after the fever Bright's Disease set in, and the doctors gave her up. Her father tells the rest of the story:

"We began to give her Dodd's Kidney Pills and at first she had taken about three and a half boxes, she was entirely cured. Now she is well as any child, running and playing as if nothing had ever been the matter. The doctors said she was beyond the reach of medicine. Dodd's Kidney Pills certainly saved our little girl's life, when she was so far into the chronic stage of Bright's Disease that we thought nothing could save her."

**The Enterprising Drummer.** Shopkeeper (whose patience is completely exhausted)—Snippers, call the porter to kick this fellow out.

Importunate commercial traveler (undaunted)—Now, while we're waiting for the porter I'll show you an entirely new line—best thing you ever laid eyes on.—Glasgow Evening Times.

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### That Language of Ours.

"Oh, don't worry about such trifles," said the girl. "Just keep a stiff upper lip and everything will come out all right."  
"But," protested the other maid, "it is a physical impossibility for me to maintain a superior labial rigidity."

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## MAKING OF PATENT LEATHER.

Each Manufacturer Has His Own Process.

All manufacturers of patent leather have their own tanning processes, much like those of the calfskin tanner, though some patent leather is given a bark tanning. Horsehide and colt skins are the chief leathers made with a patent finish.

The patent or enamel finish is really painted and baked on, as the bicycle manufacturer paints and bakes enamel onto a frame. Tanners are very particular about keeping their processes secret, and nobody but workmen is ever allowed into the finishing rooms.

The hide or skin, having been stretched and dried as much as possible, is first given a coating of a mixture of linseed oil, litharge, white lead or similar materials boiled, together until they make a pasty mixture.

This is daubed on the surface with a steel tool and well rubbed in, so that the pores of the leather will be filled up. Then the leather is put into the oven, its surface being exposed to steam pipes at a temperature of about 160 degrees.

Next the surface is rubbed down with pumice stone, and then it is covered with linseed oil and ivory black, about six layers applied, each layer being dried and rubbed down. Finally a varnish is applied, and then the surface is rubbed down and finished off as nicely as a painter finishes a fine carriage.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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### Something About Canals.

The Suez canal is usually considered the most important example of ship canals, though the number of vessels passing through it annually does not equal that passing through the canals connecting Lake Superior with the chain of great lakes at the south. In length, however, it exceeds any of the other great ship canals, its total length being 90 miles, of which about two-thirds is through shallow lakes, says Harper's Weekly.

The canal connecting the Bay of Cronstadt with St. Petersburg is a work of great strategic and commercial importance to Russia. The canal and sailing course in the bay are about 16 miles long, the canal proper being about six miles and the bay channel about 10 miles, and they together extend from Cronstadt, on the Gulf of Finland, to St. Petersburg.

The next of the great ship canals connecting bodies of salt water in the order of date of construction is the Corinth canal, which connects the Gulf of Corinth with the Gulf of Aegina. The canal reduces the distance from Adriatic ports about 175 miles, and from Mediterranean ports about 100 miles. Its length is about four miles.

### Remarkable Bridges.

Perhaps the most remarkable bridges in the world are the kettle bridges in Russia and Siberia, of which Cossack soldiers are expert builders. They are built up on the soldiers' lances and cooking kettles. Seven or eight lances are placed under the handles of a number of kettles and fastened by means of ropes to form a raft. Each of these rafts will bear the weight of half a ton.

### As Classified.

"What is the difference between white lies and black ones?" asked the youth.  
"White lies," answered the sage, "are the kind a woman thinks she tells her husband, and black ones are the kind she thinks he tells her!"

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He—So your husband has given up smoking? It requires a pretty strong will to accomplish that! She—Well, I'd have you understand that I have a strong will!—New-Yorker.

"How long shall I boil the eggs, ma'am?" asked the cook. "I don't exactly know," replied the young housewife, "but cook them until they are real tender."—Chicago Post.

Nodd—Awfully sorry to hear your house burned down. Did you save anything? Todd—Oh, yes. After some very lively work we succeeded in getting out all the things we didn't want.—Town and Country.

Easy error: La Montt—Made a terrible blunder to-day. Saw a man in a rubber suit and cap, and asked him if he was a sewer-cleaner. La Moyné—Who was he? La Montt—Millionaire chauffeur.—Chicago News.

"Well, Snowball," said the patron to the dusky waiter, "how did you ever come by a name like that?" "Well, sah, I was born in Chicago. Reckon yer never seed a Chicago snowball, sah?"—Yonkers Statesman.

"I hear you're dissatisfied with your doctor's bill." "Yes, I don't think he's entitled to two hundred and fifty dollars for that operation." "Why not?" "Because if he was he'd claim more."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

A way she has: Morton—Is Mrs. Styles much of a talker? Norton—Much of a talker I should say so! It is impossible for her to play solitaire intelligently—she has so much to say to herself, you know.—Boston Transcript.

A question: She—Charles, dear, how many teeth does a baby have? He—I don't know. But I think that, after the way I've walked the floor for the last six months, ours ought to have at least a hundred and fifty by this time.—Detroit Free Press.

Howes—Don't like this cold weather, eh? Why, only last summer you were complaining of the heat. Barnes—Not of the heat itself, but rather because of its untimeliness. It would be all right if reserved for such weather as this.—Boston Transcript.

Mr. Trucker—I think I shall give up my business, my dear. I might as well have some good out of my money. Mrs. Trucker—Oh, not yet, Samuel. But when one of us dies, I shall give up housekeeping and see a little of the world.—Town and Country.

Wife—There was a man around today selling big brass burglar alarm bells to put on the front of the house, so I ordered one. Husband—What! You know we haven't anything worth stealing. Wife—I know, but it will make the neighbors think we have.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"De trouble wif dat man," said Erasmus Pinkley, "is dat he's too ambitious." "But he won't work," answered Miss Miami Brown. "No. He's one o' dese people dat would rather 'magine hisself ridin' in a automobile dan git down to business an' push a wheelbarrow."—Washington Star.

Editor in Chief (to office boy)—Bennie, where's the theater tickets I sent you after? Bennie—I forgot 'em. City Editor—Bennie, where's that paste I sent you for? Bennie—I forgot it. Sporting Editor—Bennie, what was Jack Glasscock's battin' average in 1888? Bennie (promptly)—Three hundred and eighty-six.—Cleveland Leader.

Turpin—Come with me to the zoo. Jenks—No, thank you. I'll stay at home. My oldest daughter does the kangaroo walk, my second daughter talks like a parrot, my son laughs like a hyena, my wife watches me like a hawk, my cook is as cross as a bear, and my mother-in-law says I'm an old gorilla. When I go anywhere I want a change.—Tit-Bits.

Icy.—"Didn't you git no money from dat woman yer held up?" asked the first footpad. "Naw," replied the other, shivering slightly; "she wuz from Boston." "Well, Boston people has money." "Mebbe dey has, but when I sez to her, 'Money or yer life, lady,' she sez, 'How dare ye speak ter me widout de formality of a interduction?' sez she, an' leaves me froze stiff."—Philadelphia Press.

"There was once a minister in Hartford," says Mark Twain, "who had a lot of boys in his Sunday school who were in the habit of staying away on the Sunday when the big steamer City of Hartford docked in the morning.

"One Sunday the minister came down to Sunday school and found all the boys there. He was profoundly affected.

"'Boys,' he said, 'you cannot imagine how much this exhibition of loyalty on your part to the Sunday school affects me. When I came by the docks this morning and saw the City of Hartford there—

"'Gee whiz!' shouted the boys in chorus, 'is she in?' and they left in a body."—Philadelphia Post.

Duel a la Francaise.  
"Hold! My honor is satisfied!"  
"Already?"  
"Mais oul. I see the blood in your eye."—Harvard Lampoon.

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Fred—How about that wedding check your father-in-law gave you; was it good?  
Joe—Sure. You know, it's usually the unexpected that happens.

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# RHEUMATISM

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Because Rheumatism sometimes comes on suddenly it doesn't prove that it is a chance disease or one due to accidental causes. It takes time for it to develop, and is at work in the system long before any symptoms are felt. The blood is the first point of attack, and the poisonous acids that cause the aches and pains are then distributed through the circulation to different parts of the system, and settle in joints, muscles and nerves; and when the system is in this condition it needs only some exciting cause like exposure to night air, damp, chilly weather, or the cold, bleak winds of winter, to arouse the slumbering poisons and bring on Rheumatism. The severity of the attack depends upon the amount of acid in the blood and the quantity of acrid matter in the joints and muscles. Some people are almost helpless from the first, while others have occasional spells or are uncomfortable, restless, nervous and half sick all the time from the nagging aches and pains. Rheumatism is a disagreeable companion even in its mildest form. It grows worse as we grow older, and frequently stiffens the joints, draws the muscles out of shape and breaks down the nervous system. A disease that originates in the blood, as Rheumatism does, cannot be cured with external remedies like liniments and plasters; such things scatter the pains or drive them to some other part of the body, but do not touch the disease or improve the condition of the blood. The thin acid blood must be restored to its normal purity and strength, so that all poisonous substances may be carried out of the system, and no medicine accomplishes this in so short a time as S.S.S., which not only neutralizes the acids and counteracts the poisons, but builds up the general health at the same time.

RHEUMATISM IN ELBOWS, WRISTS AND KNEES.  
Urbana, Ohio, Aug. 25, 1903.  
Last winter I had a severe attack of Rheumatism. It started in the right elbow, and from there to my wrists; the right wrist was the worse. It became swollen and extremely painful. My left knee joint was the next place to be attacked. It became swollen and of course painful. The next point to be affected was the hip and ankle, which gave me much trouble. I was barely able to get about for some time. I was under treatment of a physician for awhile, but getting no better I began S. S. S., and after taking it for some time I was entirely relieved of the Rheumatism. All swelling and soreness disappeared. I consider S. S. S. an excellent remedy for Rheumatism and all troubles having their origin in the blood.  
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