

WEBSTER OVERTAKEN.

Lawyers sometimes resort to questionable methods in order to destroy the effect which the testimony of a truthful and intelligent witness has upon a jury.

Webster, at a glance, had the sagacity to foresee that her testimony, if it contained anything of importance, would have great weight with the court and jury.

"We don't want to hear what you believe, we want to hear what you know!" Mrs. Greenough replied.

Notwithstanding his repeated efforts to disconcert her she pursued the even tenor of her way, until Webster, becoming fearful of the result, arose, apparently in great agitation, and drawing out his large snuff box, thrust his thumb and finger to the very bottom, and carrying the deep pinch to both nostrils, drew it up with a gusto.

"What was that ma'ma?" "She took snuff!" The roar in the court house was such that the defender of the Constitution sat down, and neither rose nor spoke again until after Mrs. Greenough vacated her chair for another witness.

"The Sand and Sawdust of this World." "Gee!em, if you see a pison 'rash' in 'fron' dis world enveloped in a diamond an' an' aster, an' dat an' sign dat he pays taxes, rents a church pew an' brings his child'en up in de way dey should go?"

"When you see a pison seated in a sky-blue cutter, pushin' de lines over a fast boss and lookin' out his left eye as if he had the bulge on 'er, ev'ry lot is town, an' dat an' sign dat a single greaser would tra' him for a box o' sa'dines or a peck of carrots?"

"The Elder Toole heaved a deep sigh, and Huckleberry Jones solemnly scratched his leg just below the knee." "When a man takes up fo' seats in de kyar, pushes folks aron' on de market, elbows aron' de City Hall, an' gits de fast place at de stamp window in de postoffice, an' dat an' sign dat when it came to de pail he'd a half a dollar's worth of wood to keep an orfan asylum from freezin' to death?"

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The Sturgis Ledger says: "An Ohio man's politics have got to depend now on whether he lips or not. If he can say 'Sherman' he is a good Republican. If he says that 'he' is the 'Treasurer' you know at once that he is a Democrat."

False happiness endures men stern and proud, and that happiness is never communicated. True happiness renders them kind and sensible, and that happiness is always shared.

HAIR DRESS. The wife of a miser in Hallowell, Me., had yellow hair of wonderful length and abundance. It was so heavy as to be a burden, but her husband would not let her cut it off, even when offered a good price by dealers in hair.

POISONOUS COLORS—According to the *Chemical Review*, energetic steps are being taken in Switzerland against the use of poisonous colors. The Government of Zurich has prohibited the use of all coloring matters prepared from the compounds of the toxic lead arsenic, copper, chrome, zinc, antimony, bismuth and mercury, for coloring articles of consumption or of clothing, or their materials; also paper for wrapping up chemicals, coffee, tea, chocolate, tobacco and articles in general; toys, covers and cushions of children's carriages, carpets, curtains and window blinds, lamp screens, wafers and table services.

GOOD ADVICE.—Says the *Elmira Gazette*: "No, do not learn a trade, young man. You might soil your hands, with your start color and spoil your complexion, sweating. I had had you learn to be a lawyer; but you had better be a lawyer in the mind; make an ass of yourself generally, and work for wages that wouldn't support a Chinese laundryman on rice and rats and leave a big enough balance to pay his wash-trousers—just because it is a little more good in the eyes of the people who would prevent them from pounding rock or heaving wood and whose poverty pinch a worse than those patent cross-legged children's pins, if the truth were only told."

SECTIONAL PRIDE.—They tell of a New Hampshire school teacher near Exeter, who had a class in geography on the floor the other day, and she asked one of them what was the soil in New Hampshire. The answer was, "Stubble." The teacher, highly indignant, said the soil was no good in New Hampshire as in Massachusetts. The teacher then asked him to get up and recite the names of the states in New Hampshire, and the boy was so poor that the teacher died.

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