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Almost Every Man Has His Pet Joke, Usually Silly.

"Did you ever stop to think," said the licensed misanthrope, "what a lot of fools men are?"

Without waiting for a reply—the licensed misanthrope never waits for a reply—he continued:

"The dreary imbecility resulting from the American national disease of trying to be funny is something awful to contemplate. Now, I met a man this morning—a man with large interests in the city, an operator in real estate, a banker and a 'prominent citizen.' He shouted out to myself and my companion: 'Well, you're a nice pair to draw to,' and I doubt if he has seen two of his acquaintances together in 15 years without springing that poor, pale, shrinking jest.

"There's another man who has a big mercantile business down the street who never meets a friend without asking: 'How does your constitutionality sagaciate?' He's considered a man of intelligence, too, and yet he's been chirping that bit of idiocy at everybody he knows for ten years.

"Then there's the head of a big manufacturing firm in the south end, a man of wide culture, a man of the world, who ought to have some sense, who was so delighted with his discovery of 'Nit' a few years ago that he regards it as a brilliant witticism in itself, and never loses an opportunity to inject it into his conversation with an air that amounts to a demand for recognition of his mot.

"And so it goes. Nine out of every ten men you meet have some pet phrase like that, which has ceased to mean anything, if it ever did, and which they fire at the heads of all with whom they come in contact. Dr. Nordau has defined this affliction as echolalia, I believe, but the proper designation for it wouldn't look well in print."—Chicago Journal.

Navigating the Air.

Among the novel ideas in aerial navigation is the coupling together of a number of balloons in what might be called a tandem form. In the foremost is a machine which is supposed to be the propelling. These balloons are umbrella-shaped, and contain hydrogen gas. The car is suspended a long distance below the balloon proper, and is connected with it by a frame of aluminum. The relative position of car and balloon would not be unlike a very long handled umbrella fully spread, the car being attached to the lower end of the handle. The motive power is an engine operated by liquid fuel. The experiments with this form of navigation are being conducted at Montgomery, Ala., by men who are fully abreast with the best scientific ideas of the day.—N. Y. Ledger.

One on Albert.

"By the way, Jennie, how did you like the dog show?"

"Oh, Albert, wasn't it too lovely for anything? There was one dog there that had such a human face. I did admire that dog."

"Indeed, did he look anything like me?"

"No, not a bit. It had too much character in his countenance."

Then Albert reached for his hat.—Tammany Times.

Too Much Stuck Up.

Miss Upperten (daughter of a rich manufacturer)—Pardon me, miss, but I have not the honor of your acquaintance.

Miss Lowerten (who does not intend to be put down in that style)—I thought you had, at one time; but never mind. Perhaps if my father owned a big mucilage factory like your father's, I'd be stuck up, too.—N. Y. Weekly.

A Spring Idyll.

Now sits an angler by the brook,
With bated breath and baited hook;
But for his stories he relies
On neither fishing-rod nor flies—
He trusts to lies.
—Chicago Times-Herald.

STRUCK A SNAG.

Bunk O'Steer—Great Scott, Skinner! You broke! I always t'ought yer was de slickest feller in de biz. Wot kinder game did yer go up against?

Skinner De Sharp (sadly)—No game at all. Just took me wife to a church fair, dat's all.—Chicago Tribune.

Cost Him $27.50.

He turned to his friend. "Let's go outside," He said, "and drink to drown our woes." But he was cross-eyed, and at once Every man in the room arose.
—Chicago Tribune.

A SAD RETROSPECTION.

Tramp (to fellow wanderer)—Ah, old fellow, there are two of us; on'y you wuz born one, an' I made one of myself! —N. Y. Truth.

Self-Evident.

They haven't confided their secret to me,
But I know the engagement's begun,
For he's ordered a bicycle built for two,
She a rocking chair built for one.
—N. Y. Journal.

Explaining It.

He—It seems strange that Van Wither with such a family tree back of him and money and time to burn, gets blue every now and then.

She—Perhaps it is his blue blood having effect.—Cincinnati Tribune.

Overheard.

Proprietor—Anyone waiting on you, miss?

Miss Hayseed (blushing)—Well, Hi Perkins is kinder purring round, but he hain't talked business yet.—Philadelphia Press.

LOCAL SQUIBS.

E. O.: Mrs. Kelley, of Heppner, is a guest of Mrs. C. E. Fell

E. O.: Ed Day and wife are at the Golden Rule from Heppner.

Eben Andrews made proof before Clerk Morrow last Saturday.

Long Creek Eagle: Grant Harer departed yesterday for Heppner with wool.

Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and today stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at Conser & Brock's drug store.

A Sam Houston Story.

When Gov. Sam Houston first visited Washington, he dined in a starched collar with the president of the United States and the leading politicians. At the dinner he tasted champagne for the first time in his life. "Forty-rod" whisky was good enough for politicians where he came from. But he enjoyed himself, and drank his share of wine. Toward the end of the dinner olives were handed round. Houston had never seen olives, but tried one and put it back upon his plate. The president looked down the table. "How are you getting on, Gov. Houston?" he asked. "Wal, President," said Sam. "I like your cider, but darn your pickles!"

Terrible Accident.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and the frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. For sale by Conser & Brock. *

E. O.: T. W. Ayers, sr., a well known and much esteemed pioneer of the Northwest and a resident of Heppner, is in the city, a guest of his son, T. W. Ayers, jr. He will remain here for several days longer.

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C. E. Ranous is expecting some mechanics soon from below to assist in completing contracts in this vicinity. Ranous informs the Gazette that he has the building of the Lone Rock school house and also will do some work for Andrew Neal, at Lone Rock.

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E. O.: Walter Smith has come over from Ione, Morrow county, on his wheel. He made the most of the trip on Sunday during the extremely hot part the day.

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A. Andrews and his son, Eben, were in Heppner last Saturday, the latter having come down from Dayton, Wash., to make proof on his homestead.

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A MODERN GEORGE WASHINGTON.

"Poor man! How did you lose the sight of your eye?"

"Lookin' for work, mem!"—Pick-Me-Up.

The Three-Year-Olds.

Alas, poor infants, what an age
Of sorrow do you strike!
Too big for baby carriages;
Too small to ride a bike!
—Washington Star.

Foreseen.

Mrs. McSwatt—Billiger, when I asked you to get a book for a birthday present for brother John I supposed you would select one that had at least a substantial binding. This one will fall to pieces before he has it six months.

Mr. McSwatt—No it won't, Lobelia. It will last that brother of yours 100 years, in any kind of binding. It's a book on manners.—Chicago Tribune.

In the Heejee Islands.

"What did you say the name of this missionary was?" asked King Ktwapta.

"Live ever, your highness," said the trembling chief; "he said it was John."

"Well, for a change"—King Ktwapta looked lovingly at his toothpick—"let us have a Jackpot-pie."—Town Topics.

His Views on Labor.

First Tramp—Do you b'lieve in keepin' out the pauper labor of Europe?

Second Tramp—I don't mind the pauper labor, but when it comes to lettin' in paupers what don't work, I'm afraid they'll crowd us fellers into lookin' for a job.—N. Y. World.

His Offense.

"The New Woman's club will never hire Tenor, the singer, again."

"Why so?"

"He was billed to sing four times at their annual dinner, and each time he warbled 'What Is Home Without a Mother.'"—N. Y. Truth.

An Unfeeling Comment.

"Willie Washington," said the friend, "is one of those people who tell everything they know."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, wearily, "and he doesn't talk very much, either." —Washington Star.

An Ominous Sign.

Adviser—So you think that your wife is dead in earnest in her demands?

Husband—I certainly do.

Adviser—How do you know?

Husband—She has become silent.—Up-to-Date.

A Bear in Her Path.

"This baby carriage with a canopy top is a good thing," said the early spring nurse girl to the policeman in the park.

"Then push it along," grimly ordered the bobby.—Detroit Free Press.

In Literature.

"Bridgemore tells me he is writing for one of the magazines."

"Well, he is. He writes the names of the post offices on the packages for the mails."—Chicago Tribune.

The Brute.

Young Mother (on the train)—Oh, dear, I don't know what to do with you, baby!

Kind Bachelor—Shall I open the window for you, madam?—N. Y. Journal.

Earth Best for Forts.

Military engineers are practically agreed that no material for fortifications is superior to earth. When clay is not obtainable, as on the seashore, sand is collected in bags and these are laid in regular heaps along the line of the proposed fortification. The balls from the enemy's cannon sink without doing damage, and shells explode harmlessly.—Philadelphia Press.

Rightly Named.

Hewitt—I don't see why you call this front door a storm door; it isn't a storm door.

Jewett—Just wait a minute, old man; my wife always meets me here.—N. Y. Tribune.

He Stopped It.

Truthful Tommy (describing his last great fight)—Then he let out at me with his right, but I stopped the blow.

Cynical Sam—Did you? How?

Tommy (significantly) — With my nose.—Odds and Ends.

Preparing for the End.

Crimsonbeak (discouraged)—Oh, I'm tired of life.

Yeast (lightly)—Been eating some of your wife's cooking, old man?

"No; but I'm willing to now."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Few Words at Parting.

Young Husband—You'll write to me, darling, won't you, very soon?

Young Wife—Why, yes, Henry, I'll have to write. I haven't money enough to last me more than about six days.—Chicago Tribune.

Chilly Work.

Church—Did you ever try fishing through the ice?

Gotham—Yes; that is, I tried to get a Boston girl to understand that I would like to kiss her.—Yonkers Statesman.

More Effective.

Artist (gloomily)—Somehow, my pictures won't keep the wolf from the door.

Friend—Did you ever try hanging them on the doorknob?—N. Y. Journal.

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556-63 J. A. WOOLERY.

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Notice of Intention.

LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON, June 22nd, 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. W. Morrow, county clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on August 7th, 1897, viz:

MARTHA C. HOSKINS,

Hd. E. No. 3999, for the S½ NW¼ and N½ SW¼ Sec. 1, Tp 5 S R 26 E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Benjamin H. Parker, J. F. Ward, Nelson Cumpton and Samuel Ensley, all of Hardman, Oregon.

556-67 JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT UNDER and by virtue of an execution issued out of the circuit court of the State of Oregon for the county of Morrow and to me directed and delivered, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said court on the 9th day of September, 1896, in favor of Clara A. Cobb, Plaintiff, and against Morris D. Long, Linnie Long, his wife, F. O. Bucknum, Belle E. Bucknum, his wife, C. A. Hughes, L. Hughes, her husband, H. J. Faust, Daniel B. Brown and —— Brown, his wife, Defendants for the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-One 85-100 Dollars with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 1st day of March, 1895, and the further sum of $21.85 and interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from March 1st, 1894 and Fifty-Five Dollars attorney fees and the sum of Fifty-one 75-100 dollars costs and disbursements. Whereas by said decree and order of sale it was directed that the following described real property in Morrow county, Oregon to-wit: The East half of the South-west quarter and the West half of the South east quarter of Section 28, Township One (1) North Range 26 East, W. M., to be sold to satisfy said judgment, costs and accruing costs. I will on Saturday, The 31st day of July, 1897, at two o'clock p. m., of said day, at the front door of the court house in Heppner, Morrow county, Oregon, sell all the right, title and interest of the said Morris D. Long, Linnie Long, his wife, et al., in and to the above described property at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds to be applied to the satisfaction of said execution and all costs, and costs that may accrue. E. L. MATLOCK, Sheriff of Morrow County, Oregon.

Dated July 2nd, 1897. 558-67

Notice of Intention.

LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON, June 1, 1897. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. W. Morrow, County Clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on July 10th, 1897, viz:

EBEN H. ANDREWS,

Hd. E. No. 3048, for the SE¼ Sec. 18, Tp. 1 N. R. 26 E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. B. Finley, Arthur Hodson, both of Galloway, Oregon, C. E. Musgrave, and Olen Hodsdon, both of Lexington, Oregon.

550-561 JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

Notice of Intention.

LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON, June 3rd, 1897.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before J. W. Morrow, county clerk, at Heppner, Oregon, on July 20th, 1897, viz:

HENRY CRAMER,

Hd. E. No. 5970, for the NW¼ NE¼, Sec. 27, S½ SW¼ and SW¼ SE¼ Sec. 22, Tp. 4 S, R 25 E W M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Howell, Henry Howell, Edwin S. Cox, and Fred Knighten, all of Hardman, Oregon.

551-62 JAS. F. MOORE, Register.

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