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He rather enjoy being without a girl. "Why so?" "Because always coax my wife to give me for breakfast."—Philadelphia Dealer.

Converting Him.

He heard there was some romance connected with your marriage? "Nothing romantic about it. Our views differed, my wife maintaining that the only hell there is is earth, and she married me to it."—Indianapolis Sun.

Not Strikingly Noble.

When your daughter is going to marry a nobleman. "Yes," answered Mr. Cumrox; "I only a nobleman by profession. I must say he strikes me as a common sort."—Washington

Rather Puzzling.

He baby had been bawling for three hours. "Mamma," said little Ostend, "do come from heaven?" "Yes, my son," responded mamma. "How can they call it 'the land of the living'?"

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Do you mean to say that Christ Science cured you? "Sure! Of appendicitis?" "No. Of Christian Science."—Chicago Life.

Ready for Easter.

Reason Cobbs—William, if your wife should have \$10 and some one else give him \$5, what would he do? "Nothing; but ma would buy a new hat."—Chicago News.

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You know when rich, red blood is coursing through your veins, if it shows in the brightness of the eye, the purity and clearness of the complexion, the smooth, fair skin, and robust, healthy constitution. It is good blood that imparts strength and energy to the body and keeps it in a state of vigor and health. Good blood is the foundation of good health, and the physically and mentally sound it must be kept pure and untainted.

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Not Too Precipitate.

"Ah, Georgie, dear," she said to the duke, "why don't you go to papa today? Delays are dangerous, you know." "Yes, I realize that," he replied, "but I've only known you three days and these get-rich-quick schemes always seem to be so risky."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Prize.

The editor of a weekly newspaper in Australia offers himself as a prize to the woman who writes the best essay on the duties of a wife.

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Tom—I can't help asking my fiancée occasionally why she loves me. Dick—Me, too. Mine always gives me a very satisfactory answer.

His Experience.

"Pa," said the boy, looking up from his book, "what does a man's 'better half' mean?" "Usually, my son," replied his father from behind the evening paper, "she means exactly what she says."

To Honor Great Philosopher.

There is a project of erecting a monument to the philosopher Kant in Berlin to be unveiled on the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of his death in 1904.

No Need of Protestation.

Tom—Did she ask you if she were the only girl you ever loved? Jack—No she took it for granted.—Somerville Journal.

Making Allowances.

Bronson—I don't see why you should be so angry at your son for marrying. We have to make allowances for the young, you know.

Munson—Confound it, that's what I'm kicking about!

I not only have to make an allowance for him, but too I'll have to make one for his wife, too.

Rather Discouraging.

Rowland—I hear our 'angel' has been passing unfavorable comments about this vaudeville olio.

Foxy—Yes, he says the tramp sketch is the only act that is not bun, and that should be.

Better Than a Telephone.

Duffy—What I say to my wife goes. Meeker—Is it possible? Duffy—Yes. As soon as I leave the house she goes over and repeats it to her mother.

A Dream of Bliss.

Dora—Wouldn't it be lovely if we had \$35,000,000? Clara—Of course. Dora—Perfectly heavenly! This book on "Facts and Figures" says a ton of diamonds can be bought for that.—New York Weekly.

What He Married On.

"Tom Higgins married, you say, on \$10 a week? That took nerve anyhow. What was he working at?" "Nothing. It was the girl that was earning the \$10."

OLD FAVORITES

The Ballad of Fergeant Ross. The flames of the sentry fires bright, Abaze on the prairie's pale Where sixty men of the Frontier Corps Are guarding the government trail.

A rattle of hoofs from the northern hills, A steed with a sweat-wrung hide, And Olaf Drain, of the Peska claim, Swings off at the captain's side.

"Chief Black Bear's out from the Crow Creek lands, The buzzards his track have showed; Last eve he pillaged at Old Fort James, To-day on the Fire-Steel road."

"And Corporal Stove, of the Frontier Corps, On furlough to reap his grain, At the Peska stage-house lieth dead, With his wife and his children twain."

Then up and spoke First Sergeant Ross, Who had bunked with Corporal Stove; "By the glory of God, they shall pay in blood The debt of that dastard blow."

They ride till the crickets have sought the shade; They ride till the sun-motes glance, And they have espied on a far hillside The whirl of the Sioux scalp dance.

Then it's up past the smouldering stage-house barn, And out by the well-curb's marge; The Sioux are a-leap for the tether-ropes; "Revolvers! Guide center! Charge!"

Ross set his pace for the chief, Black Bear, Who shrinks from a strong man's strife, But faints in the air the long, brown hair Of the scalp of the Corporal's wife.

The Sergeant rides with a loose-thrown rein, Nor sabre nor shoot will he, Till the pony has pitched at a gopher mound And flung her rider free.

And Ross has wrenched the knife from his hand And smitten him to the ground. "Did ye think to win to the Bijou Hills, Ye whelp of a Blackfoot hound?"

And they swung him at dawn from a scaffold stout, As a warning to all his kind, To fatten the birds and to scare the herds, And to sport with the prairie wind.

Cuddle Doon. The bairnies cuddle doon at nicht W' muckle fauch an' din; "O, try and sleep, ye waukrife rogues, Your father's comin' in."

They never heed a word I speak; I try to gie a frown, But aye I hap them up and cry, "O, bairnies, cuddle doon."

Wee Jamie w' the curly head— He aye sleeps next the wa'— Bangs up and cries, "I want a piece"— The rascal starts them a'.

I rin and fetch them pieces, drink, They stop a wee the sun', Then draw the blankets up an' cry, "Noo, weanie, cuddle doon."

But ere five minutes gang, wee Rab Cries out fra'neath the claes, "Mither, mak' Tam gie o'er at once, He's kittle' w' his tae."

The mischief's in that Tam for tricks, He'd bother half the toon; But aye I hap them up an' cry, "O, bairnies, cuddle doon."

At length they hear their father's fit, An' as he stukes the door They turn their faces to the wa', While Tam pretends to snore.

"Ha, a' the weens been gude?" he asks, As he pits aff his shoon. "The bairnies, John, are in their beds, An' lang since cuddle doon."

An' just afore we bed oursel, We look at our wee lambs; Tam has his airm roun' wee Rab's neck, An' Rab his airm roun' Tam's.

I lift wee Jamie up the bed, An' as I straik each croon I whisper till my heart fills up, "O, bairnies, cuddle doon."

The bairnies cuddle doon at nicht W' mirth that's dear to me; But soon the big war's cark an' care Will quafen doon their glee; Yet, come what will to lika sne, May he who sits aboon Aye whisper, though their pows be bauld, "O, bairnies, cuddle doon."

THE DISCIPLINE BROKE DOWN.

An Experiment That Was Not an Unqualified Success.

Mahmoud Pasha was a progressive Turk of the new school. He was sent to St. Petersburg on a special mission, where, owing to his good manners and childlike ingenuitiveness, he soon became popular in diplomatic circles. He was caught eagerly at new ideas, and was always discussing the possibility of introducing reform into Turkey.

One day the Turk was at luncheon at the quarters of a Russian officer named Birnedoff. The conversation had turned on the splendid discipline to be found in every branch of the Russian service. Birnedoff suddenly rang a bell.

"I am going to show you how methodical my orderly is," said he to Mahmoud Pasha.

A trim-looking young officer entered the room, saluted, and waited. Birnedoff gave him a key and told him to go to his office and get a certain bunch of papers.

The man saluted and left the room. Birnedoff took out his watch. Keeping his eyes fixed on the dial, he said: "He is going down the stairs; he is in the street." And then, after a long

pause, "He has reached the war office; he is going upstairs; he has entered my room; he has the papers and has started to come back; he has reached the street." Another long pause: "He is down at the door; he is mounting the stairs; he is here." At this moment the door opened, and the orderly reappeared and placed the required parcel in his superior's hands.

The Turk returned home and at once began to institute reforms. A year or more passed, and the Russian officer Birnedoff was in his turn sent to Constantinople, and became the guest of Mahmoud Pasha.

"Count Birnedoff," said the pasha, at an opportune moment, "I want to show you what I have accomplished in the way of discipline during the past year, thanks to your teaching. I want to prove to you that the Turk is as capable of methodical training as the Russian."

At the sound of a bell a liveried servant appeared. The pasha spoke to him in Turkish. When the man had left the room the pasha took his watch in hand, and said:

"Now he is going downstairs; he is in the street." A long pause: "He has reached the building where my office is; he is going upstairs; he is in my room; he has the papers; he is coming back."

At this moment the door opened suddenly and the heavy Kurd reappeared. "Effendim," said he, with a low salaam, "I can't find my shoes."

NEW PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA.

Something About the Black Republic on the West Coast of Africa.

Liberia, the only republic in Africa, recently elected a President who is to serve for a period of two years. The new executive, Arthur Barclay, comes of pure negro stock and was born in Jamaica, in the West Indies.

While young his parents moved to Liberia, and he was educated in the schools of the black republic. He has been postmaster general and secretary of the treasury and is a man of liberal views, whose purpose it is to develop the trade of the republic and open up the country to the foreigner.

He will be the 13th President since 1847, when Liberia declared her independence.

The republic of Liberia, which is on the west coast of Africa and has an area of 35,000 square miles, with a population of over 2,000,000, was founded in 1820 by the American Colonization Society. This society was formed in 1816 for the purpose of transporting negroes from the United States to Africa. Among the founders were Charles F. Mercer, of Virginia; Rev. Dr. Finley, of New Jersey, and Bishop Meade, while Henry Clay was its president for many years. In 1820 the society sent out a company of 86 colonists to Liberia, the United States Government co-operating with it. Afterward 10,000 colonists were sent to the country, which, in 1847, became independent and elected its first President, Joseph Jenkins Roberts.

The constitution is modeled upon that of the United States. Every black male citizen who possesses real estate has the right of suffrage, but no white man can be admitted to citizenship.

The inhabitants are made up of various tribes, for Liberia has expanded, chiefly by the purchase of adjoining territory, since its establishment.

Some of the natives are pagans, some Mohammedans, while among them various missionary societies are actively engaged.

The climate of Liberia is deadly to the white man, who falls a victim to what is called African fever. Even negroes, born and reared in another climate, suffer on their first landing from the dangerous miasms. They soon become acclimated, however; but the white man—never. On the other hand the natives are robust, healthy and long-lived.

A Tough Proposition. "You say," she murmured as she watched the moonlight on the sea, "that I am an angel."

"Yes." She was silent for a long time. "Why so pensive?" he inquired sickly.

"I was wondering whether, some day when the thermometer was up in the vicinity of a hundred, and the ice man forgot us and the cream is sour, and you have a headache because you have been working hard—I was wondering whether you would call me an angel then. Don't answer right away," she added in that cold business-like tone that women are learning to assume. "Take your time and think it over."

France Behind in the Race. Fifty years ago France was the most populous country in Europe, next to Russia. Now she is placed last but one on the list of the great powers, with Italy, which is still behind, rapidly gaining upon her. In the past half century, while France has hardly moved, Germany has added 21,000,000 to her population, Great Britain 14,000,000, Austria-Hungary about as many. The excess of births over deaths annually is well over three-quarters of a million in Germany, over half a million in Austria, and 422,000 in Great Britain. In France it is only 31,000. The new lives added to the nation barely make up for those that pass away.

The man who says he will give his last dollar to a friend, seldom has a cent.

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The Great Worry.

Weary Wagglers—Are ye interested in these chainless bicycles, Tim? Tired Tim—No; the chainless dog is the only thing that worries me.—World's Comic.

Limited Opportunity.

"Did you call at Roxley's house?" inquired the young doctor's wife. "Yes, and I wish he had sent for me sooner."

"Gracious! Is he seriously ill?" "Quite the reverse. I'm afraid he'll be all right again before I get in a half dozen visits."

Could Mention Two.

"By the way," said the doctor, "the president is talking about the 'fighting virtues.' What are they?" "Well," responded the professor, "there are benevolence and caution, for instance. They are always fighting each other."—Chicago Tribune.

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