

### A Bad Stomach

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### Exchange of Compliments.

She—And what did father say when he asked him?  
He—He said he didn't want any part in the family.  
She—And he really doesn't know at all!  
He—Except that I want to marry you.—Boston Transcript.

### A Domestic Mystery.

His hobby (walking the floor at 2 a. m.) is just like to know why this baby keeps in staying awake every night? Why—Really, I can't imagine. Never have any trouble in keeping my baby awake in the daytime.—New York Weekly.

### The Country Editor.

A great British statesman has declared that all reform movements begin in Lancashire and end in London. It may likewise be affirmed that the policies of this nation are primarily shaped in the comparative seclusion of the rural sanctum, the directors of the metropolitan press being for the most part middlemen in ideas, as city merchants are in commodities.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

### A Wonderful Actor.

Wink—Talk about stage realism! You should see Strident in "Love and Lies."  
Jinks—He can't hold a candle to my friend, Moutner. Why, sir, he played the heavy villain in "Woman's Wrong" so realistically that his wife sued for a divorce the next week.—N. Y. Weekly.

### Children's Favorite Dead.

Miss Elizabeth W. Martin, whose names for children were widely known, is dead. She was a cousin of Samuel J. Cemens and Col. Henry Watterston.

### Bird's Nest in Letter Box.

At the village of Weald, near St. Neots, England, the public letter box contains a bird's nest with four eggs. The postman whose duty it is to take away the letters time after time found pieces of moss in the box and threw them out, but the bird always took them back, so at length he left the nest materials alone. The box is opened three times a day, but the bird sits on quite unconcerned.

### Enough to Kill Him.

Bobo Charley—Soy, loidy, if dat dog bites me he dies see?  
Lady—I believe you; I don't see how he could recover.—Baltimore American.

### Well Described.

"What is a trust?" asked the teacher.  
"A trust," replied the newspaper man's boy, "is a subject for an editorial when there is nothing else to be discussed."—Chicago Post.

### Poor Child.

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"Yes," his wife replied.  
"I suppose the first thing he said was: 'He looks just like his father.'"  
"No, the first thing he said was: 'Good Heavens!' Then he said that."

### OUTPUT OF TOOTHPICKS.

Millions Manufactured in America and More Imported. There is one article of manufacture that is used so extensively in the United States that no one has an idea of the annual quantity consumed, namely, wooden toothpicks. According to an expert, the number is simply incalculable. Millions upon millions of the tiny wooden slivers are turned out every year from American factories alone, and on top of this tremendous output come importations from Portugal and Japan and other countries nearly as large as the domestic product.

Most of the American toothpicks, according to the New York Times, come from Franklin County, in Maine, near the forest home of the white birch, out of which 95 per cent of the domestic toothpicks are made. This wood is soft and pliable and of admirable resistance for the purpose for which it is used. Whole mills in Maine are devoted to supplying the country with toothpicks, and in the industry is to be found some of the finest and most intricate of machinery. So tremendous is the output of these machines that in a brief season, during the spring, enough toothpicks can be made to supply the markets of the entire country for the year to come.

A further idea of the capacity of the machines may be had from the fact that only 100 men are necessary to operate and run all the mills in Franklin County. Other mills of this kind are scattered throughout Pennsylvania and Massachusetts and western New York, but the real home of the toothpick is Maine. White birch is not the only wood used for the domestic toothpick; maple and poplar are employed as well, but birch has the property of retaining its forest odor and sweetness.

The felling of toothpick trees is only incidental to the regular lumber work of the Maine foresters. No special men are sent but to hunt up suitable trees. But whenever the foreman of a gang of woodsmen comes across a tree especially adapted to toothpicks he orders it felled and laid aside. The branches of the tree are then trimmed and only the trunk itself is transported to the mills. There the bark is skinned and the naked trunk is run through a machine which severs it into veneers. "Veneers" is the technical expression for thin strips of wood no thicker than a piece of blotting paper and no wider than the length of a toothpick. Once the trunk has been cut into these sheets of wood, only one process remains to turn out the toothpicks fit for packing and shipping to market. The veneers are fed into a second machine supplied with sharp, rotary knives that whirl at tremendous high speed, snipping the veneers into toothpicks at the rate of hundreds of thousands an hour.

It is only the so-called "fancy" toothpick that is not made in this country. In Portugal, from where most of the orangewood picks are imported, the sticks are sharpened by young girls who, in return for turning out "picks" sharp as needles and smooth as ivory, are paid 3 cents a day.

The Japanese toothpicks are made of fine reeds, and are distinct from those sent to this country by the Portuguese manufacturers. A Japanese toothpick is delicate and thin as tissue paper, and nevertheless strong and pliable. The Japanese toothpick-maker earns even less than his Portuguese fellow craftsman, his remuneration being a fraction more than 2 cents a day. In short, a thousand toothpicks may be bought in Japan for as much as it costs to pack and box 5,000 of American make.

### International Food Exhibit.

London will have an international food exhibit at the Crystal Palace next September.



Positive, bet; comparative, better; superlative, better not.—Detroit Free Press.

"How did you enjoy the play last night?" "Oh, it was just divine—I never cried so much in my life!"

Ted—"Most firms prefer to hire a married man." Ned—"And most girls won't marry you unless you have a job."

Ella—"But surely you are not going to marry against your parents' wishes?" Flo—"Why not? Did they marry to please me?"

Willie—"Pa, an agriculturist is just a man that works a farm, ain't it?" Pa—"Sometimes, my son, he's a man who works city borders."

She—Who has Boston the name of being such a bad city? He—"Because of the number of crooks in the streets, I suppose."—Harvard Lampoon.

Farmer—"See here, boy! What are you doing up that apple tree?" Kid—"Can't yer see nothing? One of yer apples fell off de tree an' I'm tying it on again!"

"Faith, Mrs. O'Hara, how d'ye till them twins apart?" "Aw, 'tis aisy—I stick me finger in Dinny's mouth, an' if he bites I know it's Molke."—Harvard Lampoon.

"Margaret, I think you cheapen yourself by going so much to the theater with Mr. Jones." "No, mother; on the contrary, I'm making myself very dear."—Harvard Lampoon.

Doctor—Do I think I can cure your catarrh? Why, I'm sure of it. Patient—So you are very familiar with the disease? Doctor—I should say so! I've had it myself all my life.—Judge.

"Mrs. Talkyer-Blind can say some of the most cutting things." Yes, if she could only keep her mouth closed for five minutes you could have her arrested for carrying concealed weapons.—Life.

Mrs. Uppmann—I must tell you, Della, that I was displeased at your entertaining that policeman in the kitchen last night. Della—Faith, O! did ax him into the parlor, ma'am, but he wouldn't go.—Philadelphia Press.

Bellows—Does your daughter play on the piano? Old Farmer (in tones of deep disgust)—No, sir. She works on it, pounds on it, rakes it, scrapes it, jumps on it, and rolls over on it; but there's no play about it, sir.—Tit-Bits.

Mr. Quarles—"Well, I see old Goldman is dead, and leaves upward of three millions. Wouldn't you like to be his widow?" Mrs. Quarles (sweetly)—"No, dear, nothing could possibly delight me more than to be yours."—Public Ledger.

Done in oil: Miss DeAuber (an amateur artist)—Have you ever been done in oil, Mr. Marks? Mr. Marks—Well, I guess yes. Miss DeAuber—And who was the artist? Mr. Marks—Artist nothing! It was a promoter that did me.—Chicago News.

"What is that car coupled behind the Presidential train?" asked the tail reporter. "That is the photograph car," said the train hand. "Photograph car?" "Yes; it contains the pictures of all the big families in the West."—Chicago Daily News.

"What's up, old man? I never saw you look so haggard." "The S'teenth Bank is up; that's what's up. And my deposit's gone up with it." "Oh, I wouldn't let a thing like that upset me." "I'm not upset; merely lost my balance."—Philadelphia Press.

"Well, there is one thing that can be said of Crawford. Although he went fishing himself on the Sabbath he didn't let his little son fish." "I am glad to hear that. Was the boy at Sunday school?" "No, baiting the hooks."—Chicago Daily News.

Master—"What! Both want a holiday to-morrow? I can't spare you both at once. Mary, you can have to-morrow, and John the next day." John—"Thank you, sir, but we wanted to get married, and I'm afraid, sir, it can't be done that way, but I'll inquire!"

Mother—"Tommy, what's the matter with your little brother?" Tommy—"He's crying because I'm eating my cake and won't give him any." Mother—"Is his own cake finished?" Tommy—"Yes'm, and he cried while I was eatin' that, too."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"My plea," said the young lawyer, who had just won his first case, "seemed to strongly affect the jury." "Yes," replied the judge, "I was afraid at one time that you would succeed in getting your client convicted in spite of his innocence."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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Old Doctor—"So you think my daughter's happiness is safe in your hands?" Young Doctor—"I know she loves me, and I do not see how I could live without her." Old Doctor—"Well, you are a young man of good character, and I will give my consent on one condition." Young Doctor—"Name it." Old Doctor—"It is that when she is ill you won't try to doctor her yourself."—Tit-Bits.



Another club woman, Mrs. Haule, of Edgerton, Wis., tells how she was cured of irregularities and uterine trouble, terrible pains and backache by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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### The Strenuous Vacation.

Caterby—What are you doing in town? I thought you were living in the country, playing golf, ping-pong, tether ball and going to dances.

Peterkin—I am. But I have to come to town occasionally to get rested.—Detroit Free Press.

### Australian Churches.

One of the features that attract most attention in traveling through the Australian colonies is the number of churches which are everywhere to be seen. Every little township or village has three or four edifices devoted to worship.

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### Scotland Insulted.

A highland waiter once refused to serve Max O'Rell at dinner, and when reproved explained: "It's no' to be expected that a self respecting Scotchman could serve him with civility. Didn't he say we took to the kilt because our feet were too large to get through trousers?"

### Ancient Gold Mines.

The only ancient gold diggings yet discovered which are of sufficient magnitude to be those of the Ophir of David and Solomon are those of the Zambesi region. The gold contributed by David alone to the building of the temple, being "43,000 talents of the gold of Ophir," would be in value over \$80,000,000.

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### One Woman's View.

"I suppose you turned me down because of my poverty," said the impetuous youth who had just been handed the frothy mitt; "but you should remember that it is possible to have plenty of money and still be unhappy."

### Austria Never a Colonizer.

Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had colonies or even trans-marine possessions in any quarter of the globe.

### Wants Husband's Statue in View.

Mrs. John A. Logan and the residents of Iowa Circle, Washington, where the statue of Gen. Logan is located, are at odds because Mrs. Logan wishes more of the trees cut down in the circle so that the view of the statue will not be obstructed.

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