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"Madam, I worked two years for the great tenor, Alberti. At the last dinner he gave I was applauded after each course, and at the end of the dinner I was recalled three times." —Translated from Tales from Filigonde Blaetter.

Wise Child.
"But, Tommy," said his mother, "didn't your conscience tell you you were doing wrong?"
"Yes," replied Tommy, "but I don't believe everything I hear." —Philadelphia Press.

Brutal Criticism.
"So you have been to the music." Don't you admire Miss Faddy's execution?"
"No, madam; I am opposed in all its shapes to capital punishment." —Baltimore American.

The Only Drawback.
First Girl—You know the older one grows the greater, I think, is a woman's capacity to fall in love.
Second Girl—But the fewer the men. —Detroit Free Press.

Incompatibility.
The fire insurance agent was running for the office of tax assessor.
"Such a thing as that would never do! It is contrary to public policy!" exclaimed the taxpayers.
And his defeat was overwhelming.

Couldn't Touch Him.
"I tell you, sir, you're a liar!"
"Sir! If I were a fighting man I'd knock you down for that."
"I'll bet you \$10 I can prove it."
"Sir, I—er—never bet." —Philadelphia Press.

A Good Excuse.
Mother—I'm ashamed to think you can do better in school. Why can't you lead your class?
Willie—Say, ma, you told me you didn't want me ever to be conceited, and I notice when a boy leads the class he always gets conceited. —Philadelphia Press.

A Loud Laugh.
An over-irascible man betrays a lack of breeding. Copy the stillness of form, the quiet pose, which is the great charm of English women, while a vivacious somewhat under-restrained lady that which is winning and feminine in the manner of our own countrywomen.

Told on Herself.
"Mr. Tafeligh is a smooth faced young man, isn't he, Matilda?"
"Why, I thought it felt—I mean—" "Matilda!" —Judge.

He Came Home Early.
"You needn't sit up for me to-night, Maria."
"I won't, dear. I'll be standing just inside the door for you."

Backward is a Corruption of "Beach."
The corn is so called from the similarity of the shape of its grains to the mast, or nuts, of the beach.

To an Italian, charged in a London court with drunkenness, the magistrate said:
"Italians don't often get drunk. Don't get English wags."

Russian officers in camp receive money to pay for their meals, but in many cases they keep this for other purposes, and eat with the common soldiers.

Ambassador Whitehall held his given \$500 for the endowment of a bed for American sailors in the Union Jack Club, London.

OLD SORES FED AND KEPT OPEN BY IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

Whenever a sore refuses to heal it is because the blood is not pure and healthy, as it should be, but is infected with poisonous germs or some old blood taint which has corrupted and polluted the circulation. These most usually afflicted with old sores are persons who have reached the advanced middle life. The vitality of the blood and strength of the system have naturally begun to decline, and the poisonous germs which have accumulated because of a sluggish and inactive condition of the system, or some hereditary taint which has hitherto been held in check, now force an outlet on the face, arms, legs or other part of the body. The place grows red and angry, festers and eats into the surrounding tissue until it becomes a chronic and stubborn ulcer, fed and kept open by the impurities with which the blood is saturated. Nothing is more trying and disagreeable than a stubborn, non-healing sore. The very fact that it resists ordinary remedies and treatments is good reason for suspicion; the same germ-producing cancerous ulcers are back of every old sore, and especially is this true if the trouble is an inherited one. Washes, salves, nor indeed anything else, applied directly to the sore, can do any permanent good; neither will removing the sore with caustic plasters or the surgeon's knife make a lasting cure. If every particle of the diseased flesh were taken away another sore would come, because the trouble is in the blood, and the BLOOD CANNOT BE CUT AWAY. The cure must come by a thorough cleansing of the blood. In S. S. S. will be found a remedy for sores and ulcers of every kind. It is an unequalled blood purifier—one that goes directly into the circulation and promptly cleanses it of all poisons and taints. It gets down to the very bottom of the trouble and forces out every trace of impurity and makes a complete and lasting cure. S. S. S. changes the quality of the blood so that instead of feeding the diseased parts with impurities, it nourishes the irritated, inflamed flesh with healthy blood. Then the sore begins to heal, new flesh is formed, all pain and inflammation leaves, the place scars over, and when S. S. S. has purified the blood the sore is permanently cured. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores. Write for our special book on sores and ulcers and any other medical advice you desire. We make no charge for the book or advice.

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Capital Punishment.
Capital punishment is still practiced in many countries, though of late years, especially in the United States, it has been made as humane as possible. That creation of the French Revolution, the guillotine, is still used by some countries, and the old executioner's ax deals out justice in Brunswick.

The most humane method of execution, the electric chair, is used only in the United States. Spain employs the garrote, or iron collar, which is tightened until the victim strangles to death; and in Prussia the heads of prisoners are struck off with the sword. The guillotine is used in Bavaria and Belgium; and Russia destroys her criminals by shooting, hanging, and with the executioner's sword. The gallows is the official means of administering death in Great Britain; Austria has adopted the same means; but Chinese criminals are killed by the sword.

Safest.
The sentimental and lovesick youth stood gazing at the round, romantic moon.

"Yes," he confided, "the idol of my heart resides on yon hill. To-night I shall serenade the cynosurus of my affections as gallants were wont to do when knighthood was in flower. Now, what instrument do you think would be the most appropriate?"

"Well," replied his practical chum, "if I were you I should serenade her with a phonograph."

"What? A phonograph? Why, a phonograph is nothing like as romantic as a guitar."

"Yes, old chap, but you can start a phonograph and then run to the tall timbers before the shooting begins."

Too Much Exercise.
Hop Li had bought a cheap but "warranted" clock. At the end of a week he returned to the shop from which he had procured his time-piece, with no expression on his face, but with evident bewilderment of mind.

"She go, click, click! click, click! all light, tree day," he announced to the young woman who waited on him. "I wind all light, samee you say, Nex' day she go click, click—click! click! I shake her up—so!—down—so!—lound—so! no good. She stop click—stop click—only go when I shake."

"I say give me one less shake, more click, click!"

Side Lights on Mythology.
"Sicily," asked Melpomene, "twy art thou so gloomy?"

"Because," said Callopo, who, in her capacity as the muse that presided over eloquence and epic poetry, had done a hard day's work at her desk, reading manuscripts and firing them into the waste basket. "I am oppressed by a foreboding that all my labors have gone for naught. I shall die utterly unknown and my name will perish from the earth!"

Little did she think that the most diabolical and soul destroying instrument ever devised for the purpose of torturing the ears of mankind would send her name screaming and tooting down the ages! —Chicago Tribune.

Got Scriven.
The boarder who was a month behind with the landlady was surprised at the size of the heap of mashed potatoes on the plate the girl had brought him.

He was even more surprised when he found a folded paper in the center of the heap. But he didn't open it. He knew what it was.

Carefully wiping it with his napkin, he put it in his vest pocket and went ahead calmly with his dinner.

You can't disconcert an experienced boarder.

World's Coal Consumption.
The total consumption of coal in the world is considerably over fifty thousand tons an hour. Of this great quantity about twelve thousand five hundred tons is required to heat the boilers of stationary, marine and railroad engines. The production of pig iron consumes over five thousand tons an hour. The average hourly consumption of coal in households is considered to be about ten thousand tons.

Where "Push" Is No Virtue.
A well-known motor-engineering firm in the Midlands at one time held the agency of a certain American car, but owing to stress of business did not sell many. A telegram came one day.

"Hope you are pushing our cars." Promptly came the answer back: "Yes, we are, up every hill." The agency has been removed. —Judge.

Uncle Allen.
"Give some men rope enough," moralized Uncle Allen Sparks, "and they'll hang a jury."

JOLLY JOKER

The husband who never goes out de-severes a wife who never stays in.—The Cynic.

"A Willie will pay attention to Title?" "No." "Did he jilt her?" "No, he married her!" —Punch.

"Anna, you wished to buy a dictionary?" "I have married a professor instead." —Meggendorfer Blaetter.

"Look, Arthur, that is our baby." "How do you know?" "I recognize the back of our nurse." —Der Wahre Jacob.

Madge—Has she a good memory? **Marjorie—**So so. She's always remembering things she's forgotten.—Town Topics.

She—You can always tell a Harvard man. He (from New Haven)—Yes; but you can't tell him much.—Harper's Weekly.

Mater—What is it, pa? Has Henry been expelled? **Pater—**Worse! He writes that he's going to take a female part in the college play.—Puck.

"Is her husband so unacceptably stupid?" "Oh, dreadful! The only time he brightens up is when she talks of divorce!" —Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Harker—Slowly is all right, when it comes to looking ahead. **Parker—**Yes; but he's all wrong when it comes to going ahead.—Chicago Daily News.

The society reporters always speak of a bride being "led to the altar," just as though a bride couldn't find her way there blindfold.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"I hear you are having trouble in meeting your creditors." "Trouble in meeting 'em?" **Great Scott!** My trouble is dodging 'em." —Cleveland Leader.

Politician—Before you send in your report of this interview I want to see it. **Reporter—**Impossible! I sent it in half an hour before I interviewed you! —Life.

Sapleigh—I'm learning to play the saw-harp, doncher know. **Miss Causitque—**Indeed! Has your physician given up all hopes? —Chicago Daily News.

"Pardon me, sir, but isn't there another artist in this building?" **Artist—**Well, that is a matter of opinion. There is another fellow who paints.—The Model.

"My mistress isn't at home, ma'am." "Please tell her when I see her peep- ing from the front window as I can't see her, I'll be afraid she was." —Baltimore American.

Judge—Prisoner, have you anything to say to the court before sentence is pronounced? **Prisoner—**I beg the court name the youth of my attorney. —White and Black.

"When your mother-in-law fell into the water, why didn't you help to get her out?" "My dear madam, you must know that nothing I've ever done has pleased her." —Judge.

Mabel (shocked with the recollection of it)—Isn't Edith's new hat just a horrid fright? **Ethel** (as if receiving congratulations)—Isn't it? I helped her select it.—Browning's Magazine.

First Reporter—I see by the last edition that our old schoolmate, Jones, has committed suicide. **Second Reporter—**Hurry down and you may be in time to prevent his doing it.—Smart Set.

"Money doesn't always bring happiness and peace of mind." "You are right there," answered the man with an anxious look. "Sometimes it tempts you to buy automobiles." —Washington Star.

There are nervous women; there are hyper-nervous women. But women so nervous that the continual rustle of a silk skirt makes them nervous—no, there are no women so nervous as that! —Filigonde Blaetter.

Man (to a friend)—I am done with doctors henceforth! One of them advised me to sleep with my windows open. I did so, and the very next morning my gold watch was gone from the bureau. —Filigonde Blaetter.

WOMAN TO INVESTIGATE

Receives Government Appointment to Seek Truth about Panama.
Miss Gertrude Beeks of New York, secretary of the Welfare Department of the Civic Federation, has gone to Panama to investigate the housing, food and amusements of laborers in the canal zone. This is regarded as being one of the most important commissions ever awarded to a woman by the government. Secretary Taft gave her the appointment, and the grand has the sanction and support of President Roosevelt. While this is the first important Federal commission which Miss Beeks has had, she has traveled from one end of the country to the other in the interest of Welfare work.

"Welfare Work for Government Employees" is the latest departure in the

work of the Civic Federation, and for this purpose a national committee, of which Secretary Taft is chairman, has just been created. John C. W. Beckham, Governor of Kentucky, is first vice chairman; George W. Guthrie, Mayor of Pittsburg, second vice chairman; William R. Wilcox, postmaster of New York, third vice chairman, and Miss Beeks, secretary.

Miss Beeks, who is a southern girl, having gone to New York from Tennessee, is not at all dismayed by the immensity of her commission, for it is in the line of work in which she has been engaged for a number of years. The entire planning of operations after arriving on the isthmus is left with her.

When Debtors Were Imprisoned.
In nearly every country, until comparatively recent times, debtors have been subject to imprisonment. After the panic of 1825, one hundred and one thousand writs for debt were issued in England. In 1840, seven thousand persons were sent to London prisons for debt, and on January 1, 1840, seven hundred persons were held for debt in England and Wales, one thousand in Ireland, and less than one hundred in Scotland. From time to time modifications in the law governing the imprisonment of debtors have been made, so that fewer debtors are imprisoned for this crime each year.

In 1829 there were three thousand debtors in prison in Massachusetts, ten thousand in New York, seven thousand in Pennsylvania, and three thousand in Maryland, and a like proportion in other States. Many of these persons were jailed for debts of one dollar. The law providing for the imprisonment of men who could not pay their debts was shown to be impracticable by statistics taken from Philadelphia, where in 1828 there were one thousand and eighty-five debtors imprisoned for debts amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars. The expense of keeping these persons in confinement was three hundred and sixty-two thousand dollars, which was paid by the city, and the amount recovered by this method was two hundred and ninety-five dollars.

Imprisonment for debt was abolished by Congress in the United States in 1836, though this measure was not fully enforced until 1838.

Something to Be Explained.
Gayboy—No, dear, you are mistaken about my having had too much to drink last night.
Mrs. Gayboy—Then, for mercy sakes, why did you take off your shoes to go upstairs after I had gone down and let you in myself?—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

How She Played.
Racon—Did I understand you to say that you like fish better than chicken?
Egbert—Yes; you see, a fish will lay a great many more eggs than a hen, and won't cackle about it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Generous.
"Sir, I am here to ask you to contribute something toward stilling the cries of fatherless and motherless children. I—"
"Why, sure, I'll contribute. I'm glad you came to me. Here's—"
"Thank you, sir."
"Here's an order on my druggist for a bottle of soothing sirup." —Houston Post.

To Tell the Age of an Egg.
A fresh egg will sink when placed in water and rest on its side; if three weeks old it will incline slightly with the small end down; if three months old it will float with large end out of water more or less according to age.

Rule Wording Both Ways.
An English judge expresses the opinion that husbands should have the legal right to inspect and revise their wives' visiting lists. The women probably would be glad to acquiesce, provided they were granted the same privilege in respect to their husbands' visiting lists.—Washington Herald.

He clinched it.
"My boy, I like you, and I want you to marry my daughter, but have you spoken to her mother about it?"
"No, sir."
"Then, to clinch it for you, I'll propose the match." —Denver Post.

"It isn't right," a man said to-day, pathetically and indignantly. A great many things go on that are not right, and indignation will not stop them. It's nice not to be at home when some people call.

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Never Had One.
Cittman—Well, well, looking for another cook, eh?
Subbubs—Why, no, I can't say—
Cittman—What? You just said you were.
Subbubs—I did not. I said I was looking for a cook. The others we've had were not.—Philadelphia Press.

Heartbreaking Alternative.
"Ardrik, it was a shame to sell that little pony of yours. It had been in the family ever since it was a colt."
"I know it, Throggins. It almost broke my heart to part with Gyp, but my affairs had become so desperate that I either had to sell him or eat him—and I can't stand for horse meat unless I think it's beef."

Happening of the Unexpected.
"Do you ever issue accident policies to baseball umpires?" anxiously inquired the caller.
"To be sure we do," answered the man inside the railing, his face expanding with a large and genial smile. "Just make out your—"
"That's all I wanted to know," interrupted the other. "A company that will do that can't get my application. Good day!"

The Wishbone.
"Do you know why they called this the wishbone, pop?" asked the boy who was picking the bone in question, on which there was very little meat.
"No, my boy. Why?"
"Because the first fellow who picked it wished there was more meat on it." —Yonkers Statesman.

Room for the Friend.
"You'll have to excuse the disorder here," said the flat dweller, "all these bundles are our summer clothes that we had to take out of the hall closet—"
"Surely, you don't need summer clothes this weather," said his friend.
"No, but we had to put up a cot in the closet for a friend who spent last night with us." —Philadelphia Press.

Convincing.
"Harold, papa says you mustn't come to see me any more."
"Why not, Dora?"
"He says you don't seem to have any ambition."
"Great Scott! I'll show him! Will you marry me, Dora?"
"Yes, Harold." —Chicago Tribune.

Athletic Disaster.
Frosh 1—Why did Cornell lose the debate?
Frosh 2—The fastest debater broke training by eating pie, and it hurt his wind so he couldn't talk as much or as loud as the rest.—Cornell Widow.

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