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The Wrong Man.

Samuel Gompers was giving it as his opinion that in exciting times people are apt to accuse the wrong man. It suggested to him the story about the young lady in Toledo.

This girl had been receiving now and then a young man who had never made love to her, but had admired her greatly. One evening before the girl entered the parlor her mother appeared and asked in a rough, stern tone of voice what his intentions were. Not having any intentions, the youth turned every color of the rainbow and succeeded in saying nothing. His suffering was ended by the entrance of the girl, who exclaimed:

"Mother, mother; that is not the one!"—Popular Magazine.

A High Cost Hymn.

The dough I've spent on thee, dear heart, Has driven thoughts of joy from me. I sit and wonder why the coins depart— My grocery—my grocery!

Each day a bill, each bill a scare To squeeze from me my hard earned gold. I bid each coin a fond farewell— A fare that's ages old!

Memories of days gone by, When eggs were fresh, not counting cents! I curse each cost that to my hand doth fly And wait for eats—in vain—for cheaper eats! —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Word Without a Meaning.

Appropos of music and ignorance, Dr. Melvil Dewey, state librarian of New York, recently told the following story:

"A certain governor," he said, "was given a luncheon at a seaside town. During the repast the local band played on the beach outside the hotel. The drum was in charge of a blacksmith, and he beat it so resonantly that at last this message was sent out:

"The governor requests the drummer to desist."

"The bandmaster was puzzled by this message for a moment. Then his face brightened in a smile, and he said: "More drum, Joe; the governor likes it."—New York Tribune.

Farmers.

Sing a song of farmers, Up at early morn, With four-and-twenty chores to do Before the breakfast horn. When the breakfast's over There's little to be done Except to plow the fodder, And let the harrow run. And mow the sheep, and prune the beets, And curdy up the swine, And shear the hens, and dig the hay, And shoe the gentle kine, And saw the wheat and rake the rye, And wash and dress the lamb, And things like that which city folks Can never understand. —Life.

This Is Not Intended For Husbands.

A correspondent sends us the following bit of matrimonial philosophy which she vouches for as both original and recent. There is a quaint and homely recipe involved in it that may be found helpful in many households:

Young Lady—What is the secret of your happy life with both your husbands—two such different men?

Old Lady—Why, I guess I wasn't fussy over trifles. And then I let them have their own way sometimes. They thought they always did.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Irremediable Ire.

Anger that I can't erase Comes to me, nor passes off. When I start to wash my face Before I take my glasses off. —W. B. B.

How many a magazine I read With wondrous stories in! You'd get just as mad as I, indeed, To read the word (Continued). —E. W. H. in New York Mail.

He Had an Explanation.

A committee had the state senator on the carpet.

"Didn't you promise if we elected you to get our county good roads?"

"Why, certainly, gentlemen."

"Did you do it?"

"No. You see, airplanes are getting very common now. I thought we'd better wait a few years. Maybe we won't need any roads at all then. Fine weather for corn, isn't it?"—Kansas City Journal.

The Magic Note.

I said: "You are my love, my life. Now, dearest, won't you be my wife?" She did not answer "No" nor "Yes." Just what was wrong I could not guess.

But when I said that I believed in woman suffrage I perceived I'd struck the magic note, and, bless Her little heart, she answered, "Yes." —Judge.

Bliss at Last.

Friend—Given up housekeeping and gone to a hotel, eh? How do you like hotel life?

McTiff—First rate. Never was so happy in my life.

Friend—Where are you staying? McTiff—I'm at the St. Charles, and my wife's at the St. James.—London Opinion.

Dwindling.

It used to be her bathing suit. Took up small space and flat. But the stuff for her hobbie skirt Takes less than half of that. —Houston Post.

Thrifty.

She—I'm going to give you back our engagement ring. I love another.

He—Give me his name and address.

She—Horror! Do you mean to go and kill him?

He—No. I want to sell him the ring.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Just a Workout.

The convicts played a baseball game. While smiles enwrapped their faces. The players should go down to fame. For each stole fourteen bases. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Glaring Accusation of Official Incompetency.

John Bear, in discussing the finding of a body on the beach near the mouth of South slough, the other day, said that he could recall nine murders in the vicinity of South slough for which nobody had ever been indicted. Mr. Bear came to the bay in 1863, and the first murder that he remembers at South slough he thinks occurred in 1868. The last was the murder of Joyner in August of this year. The only man arrested and indicted for murder was A. H. Hinch who killed a man named Wickman over a dispute about road building at South slough, a number of years ago, when R. M. Wieder was sheriff. Hinch escaped from jail at Empire and remained at large in the South slough vicinity until he was almost dead from consumption, when he came to Empire and surrendered to the authorities, dying a short time afterwards. Hinch was the father of Edna Hinch who lately gave testimony before the grand jury concerning the murders of Jake Evans and Joyner.—Marshfield News.

The importance of ferreting out the last case which is now occupying the attention of the authorities is apparent and is one of the reasons why Coroner Wilson is proceeding along the careful and painstaking lines he is doing in trying to prove the identity of the body now in his morgue. If the body is proven to be that of Wm. A. Joyner it is said the officers have a clear case against certain South slough residents, and arrests will immediately follow. If the body is that of Capt. Johnson, the mystery of the many murders referred to will be unsolved.—Coos Bay Harbor.

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