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He only wears a high collar when he feels like it, and when his pet corn begins to jump, he jerks out his knife and cuts a four inch gash in the side of his shoe and nothing is said about it in the local paper. He never has to set up at night to poultice his conscience. He believes in the doctrine of live and let live. When he encounters one of the needy he doesn't stutter with his pocket book. The plain plug of a man is happy because he is satisfied and he doesn't spend half of his time yearning for something which his salary will not permit him to buy. Give us more plain men and the world will be better.

Boating and other summer sports are getting in their deadly work. What should always be a most delightful and healthful pastime is often made one of dread because of carelessness and foolhardiness. It seems to be particularly true of boating where changing seats and rocking boats are responsible for so many fatal accidents and consequent sorrows. A man guilty of rocking a boat deserves the severest kind of punishment.

If you have been attending the caucuses of gloom in the cities, if you have heard about tight money, tariff, ruination and busted railroads until you are obsessed by the idea that everything is going fast to the dogs, or worse, just get out in the country, God's outdoors, beautiful and improved by the love and care of men and be cured.

Swat the fly, dig the dandelion, boil the water and don't look at the thermometer.

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**On the Other Foot.**

"John, how much money have we in bank?"  
"We? I have a few hundred dollars, Maria. Why?"  
"Nothing, only I just got a letter to day from the lawyer who settled up my father's estate. There was more property than anybody anticipated, a good deal more."  
"That's fine. How much do we get out of it, Maria?"  
"We? I get a few thousand dollars, John. Why?"—Chicago Tribune.

**Did You Ever Drink Choca?**

No one probably drinks "choca" now, a mixture of coffee with milk and chocolate. Yet it was a favorite beverage of many eminent persons, including Voltaire and Napoleon. And some years ago it was enthusiastically advocated in England by the late W. J. Thomas, first editor of London Notes and Queries, who wrote, "I do not know a draft which so perfectly soothes and revives as that of hot, well frothed choca." His recommendation fell flat.—London Chronicle.

**Children and Promises.**

One of the incomprehensible things to a child is the fashion some grown up people have of promising and for getting. There is no surer way to lose a child's confidence and love. Children do not understand excuses or the pressure of circumstances. They only know, "She said she would, and she didn't." One child who had used the word "promise" was asked to tell its meaning. He replied, "To promise is to keep it in your mind, keep it in your mind, keep it in your mind till you do it."—Liverpool Post.

**Johnny's Definition.**

"Now, Johnny," said the teacher, after she had explained the meaning of the word, "I wish you would write a sentence containing 'defeat.'"  
After twenty minutes' struggle, Johnny announced he was ready to be heard.  
"Please read your composition," the teacher directed.  
"When you get shoes dat's too tight," Johnny read, "it's hard on de feet."—National Monthly

**The Poor Little Girl in the Story.**

"Time was," said Lucinda, "that the poor heroine in the story when she had a bid to a party got out her one poor old white dress and wore that. It was old, and it was worn and shabby, but she let out a tuck or two, cleaned it and pressed it and put on a new bow, and in that poor dress thus refurbished she was the belle of the ball."  
"But the poor girl couldn't do that now. No, no. In these days she would simply have to be in the fashion, and everybody nowadays, rich and poor, seems to have good clothes, too—good, as well as in the style. I don't know how they do it, but they do. Oh, my, no! The poor girl couldn't wear that old dress now. But I love to read about her in the story."—New York Sun.

**Gasoline Evaporates Rapidly.**

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**Familiar.**

Yeast—Did your wife read the riot act to you last night?  
Crimsonbeak—No.  
"Why, you thought she would when you got in late, didn't you?"  
"Oh, no. She doesn't have to read it to me now; she knows it by heart."—Yonkers Statesman.

**Comforting.**

She—Here's a story of a man who bartered his wife for a horse. You wouldn't swap me for a horse, would you, darling? He—Of course not. But I'd hate to have any one tempt me with a good motorcar.—London Titbits.

**Corrected.**

Teacher—If I should say, "Your two sisters are coming," would that be correct?  
Johnny—No, ma'am. I only have one sister.—Exchange.

**Why They Fail.**

It takes some people so long to be sure they are right that they never get time to go ahead.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

We must make our election between economy and liberty or profusion and servitude.—Thomas Jefferson.

**Queer Old Laws.**

France in 1214 passed laws regulating the size of the cloak and robe, the breadth of the trimming and the number of suits possessed by each person; also the diet, including the hour of meals and the number of dishes.

**Never.**

She—We women are all misunderstood. He—Well, you never saw one who tried to make herself plain, did you?—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**No, Indeed.**

Sillies—Do you believe any man is rich enough to do absolutely as he pleases? Cynicus—Not if he's married.—Philadelphia Record.

A coward never forgave. It is not his nature.—French Proverb.

**Costly Treatment**

"I was troubled with constipation and indigestion and spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment," writes C. H. Hines of Whitlow, Ark. "I went to a St. Louis hospital, also to a hospital in New Orleans, but no cure was effected. On returning home I began taking Chamberlains tablets and worked right along. I used them for some time and am now all right." Sold by all dealers.

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