

OUR COMIC SECTION

Events in the Lives of Little Men



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Just a Little Smile

SOME PEAS!

Locust Samson had been born and reared in the backwoods, and was a grown man before he made his first visit to the city. He went to a hotel for dinner and, as an appetizer, was served a dish of large olives. Locust looked them over carefully and then motioned for the waiter.

"Ah don' wants ter bothab you," he said in an awe-struck voice, "but sh'd shoob like to see de pods dem peas come in."—Open Road.

SMALL BILL



Hubby—What have you got to pay for that canary bird?
Wife—Oh, the bill for that kind of bird is very small.

Brave Boy

"I cannot sing the old songs," she sang, with face awry.
"And since you can't," said brother, "I wish you wouldn't try."

Jury No Place for Him

Judge—Why are you so sure this man is disqualified for jury service when you haven't even asked him a question concerning his views?
Lawyer for the Defense—The fact that he looks actually intelligent ought to convince you that he is not being on a jury, your honor.

The Big Expense

His Son-in-Law-Elect—What do you consider the heaviest item of your household expenses?
Old Longwed—According to my wife's expense account "sundries" cost me more than all the rest put together.

Valuations

"Aren't you sorry for a man who has to pay alimony?"
"Not if the woman is homely," answered Miss Cayenne. "Whatever the alimony may be, the man is likely to feel that he is getting off cheap enough."—Washington Star.

WHAT STOPPED HIM?



She—Don't you dare kiss me—or I'll slap your face.
He—Don't think it's fear stops me.

New Responsibilities

This world is rather funny. As legacies redouble. With every bunch of money. You get a bunch of trouble.

The Price of Peace

"Pa, what's hush money?" asked the kid.
"It's the ten you give a wife so she can go buy what she wants and quit gabbing about how abused she is," growled his dad.

Mental Dyspepsia

Gertie—Poor Bertie! I'm afraid he suffers from matrimonial dyspepsia.
Reginald—What's that?
Gertie—Oh, you know—his wife doesn't agree with him.

Makes It Different

"No, I cannot train you for the stage, you have no voice."
"But I would willingly have trained and paid three times the fees."
"What? Say that again. Your voice sounds better already."—Der Wahre Jakob.

Puzzled

"I've come to the conclusion that women are puzzles."
"So have I; in fact, I've had to give several of them up."

News Gathering Both

Simple and Effective

Life in the highly sophisticated South Sea Isles is by no means as newsless as one might hazard by measuring the number of miles separating them from Fleet street (writes a globe-trotting correspondent). The peaceable planters have bestowed the pleasing name of coconut wireless on the means by which their wives and daughters keep up with all the news that really matters. Every sun-up the native maids meet at the market-place and pool the previous day's domestic log while they do the forthcoming day's shopping. These reporters bring back their gleanings to the housewife news editors, who publish to their yawning spouses, over the breakfast coffee, "All the News That's Fit to Print" (and a great deal that isn't). In consequence, what every family does not know about every other family can positively be sprawled across the head of a pin.

On Three Wheels

Three-wheeled trucks are being extensively introduced in London for the delivery of freight and merchandise. They are much more mobile than the four-wheeled kind and seem to answer most purposes. A car can almost be turned in its own length and the pilability of the truck in congested parking is wonderful. The three-wheeled truck was tried here years ago, but was never able to make a hit. It looked too much like a motorcycle with a side car. But they are worth looking at anyhow.—Los Angeles Times.

Tearful

During a rehearsal of plays at the Writers, in Hollywood, the noted actor who was staging the play turned on one of the novice performers saying: "You must infuse more expression into your voice. Why, I remember an actor who could so read a menu and make the audience weep." There was a moment's awed silence and then Rupert Hughes, who had been watching the rehearsal from the sidelines, chuckled:

"I'll bet he read the prices."

Splendid Marksmanship

The fine marksmanship of Francis McJure, a farmer living at Belvidere, Pa., saved the life of his son David, eighteen, when the latter was about to be gored by a bull. The father, a big-game hunter, calmly planted a bullet in the brain of the enraged bull as it charged upon the exhausted youth, powerless to escape. The animal fell dead two feet from his intended victim.—Indianapolis News.

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Rocket Plane to Be Tried

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Water in Oceans

No exact estimate of the volume of water in the oceans can be made because many areas have not been surveyed. From existing records the volume is computed at 324,000,000 cubic statute miles, or 14 times the bulk of all land in the world above sea level.

And Lost Money

Flapper.—And how you ever made a mistake that had serious consequences?
Specialist—Just once. I cured a millionaire in two consultations.—Judge.

First "Masked" Catcher

General Tyng, a Hartford student, was the first player to use a catcher's mask in a ball game. The catcher's mask was invented by F. W. Fair, a member of the Hartford club in 1876.

Absent Treatment

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Mr. Smith—Yes, out of it.

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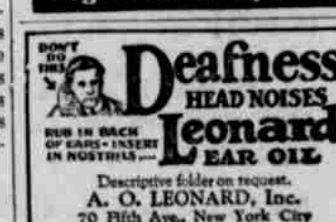
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