IT WAS THE IRONY OF FATE.

The Clerk's Loud Voice Made Trouble In the Lambkin Family.

"I don't see why we can't go to the opera like other people," pouted Mrs. Lambkin, as she and her spouse were walking home together. "We could, I'm sure, if you didn't look upon Wagner as a mortal enemy."

"My only objection to him is the fact that he sends you to sleep and then won't let you stay there," replied Mr. Lambkin. Then, basely anxious to change the subject, he remarked, "I do believe that is Mrs. Fitzjones in another new gown."

"No doubt. Her husband in so generous to her. Why, she tells me that they were at the opera last evening and

expect to go again tomorrow."
"Indeed. Ah, by the way, didn't you tell me that you thought Dick Norocks and Miss Effie had quarreled?"

"Very likely. I notice that Dick is particularly touchy whenever grand opera is in town. 'Ah, indeed. By the way, how should

you like to call at your mother's this evening?" "Very much, if anybody was likely to

be at home. But of course they will all go to the opera.' "Um-ah! I've just remembered that

this is church evening. Suppose we go. We haven't been to evening church since we were first married." "Impossible, George. I should be

marks.

"Fact is, Eudora, I'm as anxious as you are to go to the opera, but money is too tight. I had to make a payment today and I doubt if I have a dollar in my pocket. Never mind, we can have a nice long evening at home alone, can't we?"

"Humph! We are sure to be alone, for every living soul we know will be at "All the better, my dear. Just step in

here with me a moment, will you? I have no cigars, and I don't want to have to go out for anything tonight. You see, I don't keep many cigars on hand now that money is so scarce."

They went into the store, and Mr. Lambkin selected his cigars, while his wife stood by. He felt anxiously in his pockets for small change, and finding none took a bill out of his notebook, and glancing warily at Mrs. Lambkin handed it, all crumpled up, to the clerk. After all that it did seem the irony of fate which made that individual call out in stentorian tones to the cashier, "Twenty-five from 20, please!"

And Mrs. Lambkin was still talking about it when they reached home.

Miss Willard's Title.

Miss Frances E. Willard is now Dr. Frances E. Willard, since the Ohio Wesleyan university has conferred upon her the degree of LL. D. A telegram announcing the fact came to the great 'welcome meeting' to Miss Willard in New York and was rapturously received by the audience. This is "a year of jubilee" for the Ohio Wesleyan university, being its semicentennial. The university is coeducational, and its president is that able and faithful advocate of woman suffrage, Dr. Bashford. It was a happy coincidence-or was it premeditated?—that one of the women graduates chose "Frances Willard" for her graduating theme. The Western Christian Advocate says: "The great honor of LL. D. sought illustrious sub-Warren and Thoburn. The foremost weman of her times, Frances Willard, is the first woman to receive this degree from an institution of the high rank of the Ohio Wesleyan. We congratulate both the honor giver and the honor

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HERE'S TO SODAL

When the mercury has risen, I like to hear the fizzin And I love to hear the sizzin of the water mill.

Oh, there is music in its singin
And a mem'ry to it clingin
Which oftentimes is bringin thoughts that linger with me still, Thoughts of nectar and vanilla, Strawberry and sarsaparills,

Thoughts of sods that would fill a boy with visions of delight, And, though many years have fleeted Since the juveniles I treated, There's a sentiment deep seated that good soda's out of sight.

Let others prate of whisky That makes a fellow frisky, But alcohol is risky stuff to monkey with

But alcohol is risky stuff to monkey with at all.

Let stagestruck guys make merry
Over mugs of Tom and Jerry,
Sing the praise of Ellen Terry, Miss Langtry, Pauline Hall;
Let sapient dudes touch glasses
To the health of buxom lasses,
But soda quite surpasses all the drinks that
make men tight.

It's a beverage that's cheerin,
Unpretentious appearin.

Unpretentious appearin,
To humanity endearin—aye, it's clearly out
of sight.
—Michael J. Donnelly in St. Paul Globe. PRINCE AND POET.

Some Things at the Eisteddfod Which Made English Visitors Very Weary.

"After 600 years the Prince of Wales comes home." So sang Lewis Morris in an ode read before the royal visitors to the eisteddfod at Carnarvon. The ode was read in English, and the Prince of ashamed to have any one know that I Wales audibly protested to those around was well enough to be out after night him that the chronological statement reand not at the opera. People would be sure to say that you are stingy, and I had been in Wales before, though cerwould rather die than cause such re-tainly not in a public manner. However, the ode was fairly good, and as it was in English and lauded the Prince and Princess of Wales in the fulsome fashion that might have been looked for from an expectant poet laureate, a versifier who aspires to succeed Tennyson, their royal highnesses thoroughly enjoyed it and graciously accepted a bound copy of it.

Lewis Morris ranks as a Welsh bard, but he was the only one of that mystic and, truth to tell, somewhat ridiculous body who wore the clothing of nineteenth century civilization. The others were decked out in quaint garments and Druidical trappings and were evidently the cause of violent delight to the Princess of Wales as she and her husband sat among them on the platform in the eisteddfod hall. The Sun reporter who attended the gathering is now sorry he did so, as he has lost all veneration for bards and a good deal of respect for the eisteddfod institution itself. Welshmen thoroughly enjoyed the whole business, but to the English visitors, royal and plebeian, it was wearisome work listening to a long succession of bards reciting poems in an unknown tongue. The poems, in their translated form at any rate, proved in nearly ev-Dar, however, created much appreciated diversion by singing or chanting in fine style a "penillion," which he subsequently turned into English.-London Cor. New York Sun.

SHE SHOPS, BUT PAYS NO BILLS.

Case of a Brooklyn Woman Who Indulges Her Mania to Others' Embarrassment.

A curious mania has come to light recently in Brooklyn through the continued suffering of its indirect victims. | yet in the land of the living. For the A woman living in one of the pleasant residence portions of the city has been annoyed now for nearly three years by the persistent appearance at her house of delivery clerks from the well known jects—Frances Willard and Bishops shops with C. O. D. parcels for her Warren and Thoburn. The foremost number, but not her name. The packages are always addressed to Mrs. Horton, with the street and number of the woman who is not and never was Mrs. Horton, nor has any one of that name

ever lived at the address indicated. The parcels are always C. O. D. and are of various merchandise. One afternoon last week a large basket of crockery, packed in excelsior, was unpacked in her basement area, while the maid brought up to her mistress the C. O. D. bill. Notice has been given to different stores of the transaction, and shopkeepers have been requested not to forward that combination of name, address and C. O. D. element, but at irregular intervals they continue to come, eluding the watchfulness of the delivery department. Late at night and early in the morning these mysterious packages appear, and, though they are always promptly returned, there seems no way to stop them. The only plausible supposition is that the mythical "Mrs. Horton" has a mania for shopping that her purse does not afford means to satisfy, but which is thus relieved at the expense only of time and trouble to other

persons.—New York Times.

Another Italian Bank Scandal. Another bank scandal is threatened in Italy which may put even the Banca Romana into the shade. The rumors of fraud, corruption and bribery, upon a huge scale, in connection with the Credit Mobiliere, which have long been current, have now taken a more concrete form, a group of shareholders having formally presented a petition to the tribunal at Turin, bringing the gravest charges against Signor Frascasa, manager of that bank, and demanding a judicial inquiry. Should such an investigation be authorized astounding revelations will follow, for Frascasa is believed to have had in his pay some leading politicians in Rome, including ministers and one ex-premier and nearly every journalist of repute or influence in Rome, Turin, Florence, Naples and Venice, spending millions of lire annually in subsidies and for concessions.

OFFICIAL RED TAPE.

The Remarkable Journeyings of a Light weight \$20 Goldpiece.

Some weeks ago, in performance of his duty, Public Printer Benedict expressed a quantity of waste gold leaf to the Philadelphia mint, with the request that its value be returned to him in gold coin. He did not advertise the gold leaf for sale, as he might have done, but preferred to deal with Uncle Sam direct. In a few days he received by express from the mint for the waste gold leaf several bags of gold coin, the value of which was \$1,619.54. He acknowledged its receipt and at once sent it to the treasury department to be placed to the credit of the miscellaneous receipts of the treasury.

The gold coin contained in the bags received from the mint was taken out by the treasurer and counted and weighed, as the law prescribes. Out of the \$1,619.54 one \$20 goldpiece, according to the treasury scales, was exactly \$1.25 light. Treasurer Morgan wrote the public printer to that effect and requested that he at once forward \$1.25 to make good the shortage of the \$20

goldpiece. The public printer did not propose to pay the \$1.25 out of his own pocket, so he wrote to Superintendent Townsend of the Philadelphia mint, informing him that one \$20 goldpiece was short \$1.25 and to please forward that amount. This was done. In his letter containing the \$1.25 shortage Superintendent Townsend expressed regret that the public printer had not returned the

original \$20 goldpiece. Mr. Benedict on receiving the \$1.25 sent it to the treasury department and got a receipt for it. This, he thought, would close the transaction. But it didn't. The treasury officials, it seems, were not satisfied. Several days afterward the public printer received the \$20 goldpiece stamped across its face 'light \$1.25," with the request that he return to the department \$18.75, so as to make his account balance, the department having received \$1.25. This was a surprise to the public printer, but as he was dealing with government offieials he thought he could stand the racket if they could. He sent the light \$20 goldpiece to the Philadelphia mint, with the request that they forward Treasurer Morgan a certified draft for

After a lapse of nearly a week he received a communication from Superintendent Townsend stating that he had weighed the disputed coin, and that he found a shortage of but \$1 and requested the public printer to return to him the 25 cents he had paid out in excess.

A demand was made on the treasury for 25 cents. It was received, and in turn Public Printer Benedict forwarded

it to the mint. This ended the transaction, but the question arises, Who made good the shortage in the \$20 goldpiece? Did the superintendent of the mint at Philadelphia make the shortage good out of his own pocket, or was it charged to the government? And, again, if the officials of the mint weigh the gold coin, as the law requires, how is it possible for a light coin to get out, and must not something be wrong with the scales used by the treasury department? The treasury officials stamped the coin \$1.25 light. The mint people say it is but \$1 light. Had this matter occurred with private ery case to be sad doggerel. Bard Eos individuals instead of government officials the private individual would no doubt have had to pocket the loss .-Washington Post.

CELEBRATES HIS OWN FUNERAL

After Solemn Mass Over an Empty Coffin All Adjourn to a Banquet.

An up to date disciple of Charles V of Spain has held at a village of the Yonne department, in France, a kind of dress rehearsal of his funeral while past year gravediggers and masons had been engaged in preparing the gentleman's tomb, and he had surveyed the work with loving care. When everything was ready, he had a handsome marble slab put up, with the date of his birth and the list of his titles and distinctions, winding up with the comforting assurance that he "had been a good father and a law abiding citizen' inscribed thereon. On his ninety-fifth birthday all his friends and acquaintances were invited to the rehearsal of his funeral. A solemn burial service took place at the church, and his empty coffin, placed under a catafalque and surrounded with wax candles, received an anticipatory blessing. To cheer up his guests, whom this lugubrious cere-mony must have somewhat depressed, he then bade them repair to his house, where a grand banquet took place, at which the beadle, the choristers and the priests who are to officiate at his real funeral were present. Each guest pledged his word in a bumper of champagne that if he were still living at the time he would not fail to "assist" at the funeral ceremony of which the rehearsal had just been gone through. The real event may not come off yet awhile, for this imitator of the famous emperor is still quite hale and hearty in spite of his 95 summers.-London Telegraph.

Picturesque Boston Advertising.

Last week a group of maidens clad in the very latest bathing costumes and surrounded by all the cooling features of the sea beach disported in a Washington street window, where perspiring passersby gazed on their charms and heartily wished they could step into their shoes and stockings. One young woman, wrapped in a bath robe, was extended on the shore, another held a big parasol over her head, while other Trusses . paddling in the water, preparatory to taking a "header," or sat themselves down in readiness for the advancing waves! It was a pictorial advertisement Elv's Cream bold minxes calmly amused themselves that went to the right spot, and the spectators took note of the fetching styles and then went their way, determined to go and do likewise at the nearest fashionable resort.—Boston Herald.

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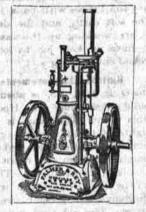
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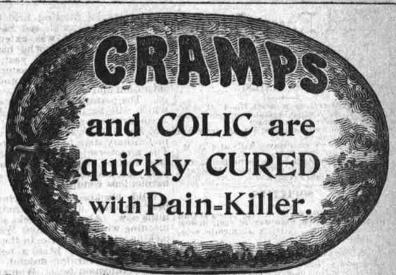
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