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WIT AND HUMOR.

There are no longer any "bartenders." "Winestewards" is the title now. Spring trousers are so attenuated in style that when a young man of this period sits down in them he will wish that he had stood up and saved rest.

Sand and dirt may accidentally get mixed with cotton to increase its weight, but beans and peas don't hop into coffee-sacks without help.

Handkerchief Shoals are near Cape Cod, but the fish never use them. They blow their noses on the sand banks and flirt with their fins.

The late Jesse James' attorney says that the James family are like the Old Guard, they "never surrender." They'll be hanged if they do.

"Five hours sleep are enough," says a New York doctor. Yes, enough to kill almost any man, if he strikes the right hotel bed.

A Yonkers man says his wife works like lightning. By this we presume he wishes to convey the idea that she never strikes twice in the same spot.

"The school-ma'ams of Iowa have made the State what it is," says the Des Moines Register. Very well; what's the use of twitting them of it?

It was in a New England school, "What is the feminine of tailor?" asked a teacher of a class in grammar. "Dress-maker," was the prompt reply of a bright-eyed little boy.

The tail of a fashionable youth's coat is very, very short. But it is not as "short," in a majority of cases, as the fashionable youth himself—by a handsome majority.

Accuracy—"And what, then, was the date exactly of your poor husband's death?" "Let me recollect myself, ma'am. If he'd a lived to Wednesday next, he'd a been dead three weeks."

Billy Emerson's greatest bore for years was to be obliged to explain to every inquiring scientist that he was not a brother of Ralph Waldo Emerson, for which both were thankful.

One of the United States Consuls in Italy began a magazine article, twenty-five years ago, with this glowing statement: "Julius Caesar was a Consul; Napoleon Bonaparte was a Consul; and so was I."

A Chicago clergyman says that unless his collar sets well and he knows his hair to be all right he can't half preach. And yet he will allude to the fondness of his congregation for their earthly vanities.

Patti says it is her ambition "to live quietly and sing to the poor." Her system of gratifying this ambition is to take mighty good care that by the time people get in where they can hear her sing they are very poor.

"The meanest job I ever undertook," mused a Colorado man, "was that of apologizing to a widow, on behalf of a vigilance committee which hanged her husband by mistake. It was hard to find just the excuse that would satisfy her."

Schoolmistress—Now, Matilda Ann, look up and tell me what first caused the fall of man. [No answer.] You are very stupid, after having just read all about it. What fruit was it? Matilda Ann—Pleasure, marm—pleasure, marm—orange peel. [Howls with grief.]

"Well, well," said Billington, majestically, "we mustn't be too severe on the young fellows. I suppose I was as big a fool as any of them when I was young." "Yes," replied Fogg, "and you are not an old man now, Billington."

A new contribution basket has just been invented which rings a gong every time a button without an eye or a 10-cent with one is dropped into it. The first Sunday it was tried in an Amsterdam church it went off like a Gatling gun the whole round trip.

Billy Patterson, while fooling with leopards at a circus in New Haven, had his nose bitten off by one of the poster animals. Mr. Patterson is given to misfortune. He will be remembered as the gentleman who, a few years ago, was struck with a brick.

Here's one by a notary public: A test that tries a man's financial standing—Pro-test.—Norrisclean.

"Where's your nail?" asked a mail rider as he stopped at a small postoffice on his route in the County of Folk, Ga.

"Oh, never mind," said the postmaster, as he pulled at his pipe, "there ain't but four or five letters and we won't trouble about them to-day."

Who wonder if he is not the same postmaster who grumblingly complained at the extravagant use of postage stamps for all sorts of foolishness, as it costs me a heap of money to buy stamps for you people.—None (Ga.) Bulletin.

Gen. Buford finds it dull being around acres without taking part in them, and wants to leave Louisville and go back to his farm. His new creed, mingling religion with horse racing, has not found favor among good people generally.

After the circus is over, after the wild beast show is done, first son of toll (coastally)—"That was a bully show. Did you see the lion-tamer, hey?" Second son of toll—"Didn't? I tell you, it takes him to boss a lion. Why, he just knocked that old lioness as if she had been his wife."

The cavalry of the Turkish Army is described as a large, well-armed circus troupe. A witness of the recent review of the Sultan's troops says that the horsemen threw their horses flat to the ground, every animal falling upon the same side; the soldiers, dismounting as the beasts went down, flung themselves behind their steeds and commenced firing at akirahs.

Lord John Russell, speaking once of the famine of 1849, said: "More than 60,000 families were in that year turned out of their wretched dwellings without pity and without a refuge. We have made Ireland—I speak it deliberately—we have made it the most degraded and miserable country in the world. All the world is crying shame upon us, but we are equally callous to our ignominy and to the results of our misgovernment."

What is Money? What is money? How did it come into the world? Obviously—inconceivably. It is a tool, an instrument, nothing more. It is not an object sought for its own sake, to be kept and used. It is acquired solely for the sake of the work it does—a mere machine. The sovereigns are distinctly intended to be set to work, and that work is solely to be given away in exchange for something else. Money is the tool of exchange, the instrument of obtaining for its present possessor some commodity or service which is desired. But how did the necessity arise for inventing such a tool? Many economists answer that a measure of value was needed, a contrivance which should enable men to compare with each other the several values or worths of the commodities they handle. The farmer required to know how many sheep he ought to give for a cart. Thus money was devised to meet this want. But this is an entire mistake. A measure which should tell accurately the worth of one commodity compared with that of another was a want created by civilization as it developed itself. A far more urgent need made its appearance at an earlier period. Money got over the greatest difficulty which the social life of men encountered. Human beings, unlike almost all animals, were formed to make different commodities for each other; how were they to be exchanged? How could the men who mutually wanted each other's goods be brought together for exchanging? A farmer had no desire to obtain a calf; he was in want of shoes. Here were two sellers and two buyers, yet neither could procure what he needed. Money came to the rescue. The farmer sold his calf to the butcher for money, and with that money he procured the wished-for coat from the tailor. The tailor repeated the process with the shoemaker. Thus money solved the difficulties. Four exchangers were brought together instead of two, and two articles were sold and two bought with money; and by this employment of a common tool for exchange, the greatest principle of associated human life was established—division of employments. It is plain that the money first bought the calf and then traveled on to buy the coat. It circulated—it remained permanently in no hands. It fulfilled its one service—to exchange, to place two different articles in different hands. Each man who obtained the money intended to pass it away in turn. Thus the conception, tool, comes out transparently. It performs its function by substituting double barter for single; the farmer first barter his calf for money, and then barter away the same money for a coat. This conception of money dives into its essence; that money is a tool must never be left out of mind; it governs every thought, every word about money. If money was never thought of but as a tool, the world would be saved a vast amount of idle speaking and writing.—Donamy Price, in Contemporary Review.

News of the Week.

The Apr. R. order says there will not be enough plums grown in Apr. this year to satisfy one good feed of the average boy.

The longest raft ever known to have floated on St. Clair river passed down in tow of the tug Mocking Bird last week. It contained 2,250,000 feet.

The mayor of Chicago has decided to drive the gamblers out of the city. Seven houses were raided last week, and three hundred inmates captured.

Squire Smith, one of the oldest and most respected residents of the township of Adelaide, died suddenly Wednesday of last week at the age of 70 years.

Mr. Benjamin Butcher, of Warrington, claims the distinction of being the first male child born in Guelph. His birth occurred on the 2nd of December, 1827.

John Dunham, a deaf and dumb boy about 16 years of age, while walking on the railway track at Lyndon going to his work, was struck by a passing train and instantly killed.

A young man, Daniel Lang, who has been working at the carpenters' trade in Peterboro, is said to have fallen heir to a fortune of \$13,000, by the death of a relative in Scotland.

The heat of the sun so warped the rails on the railway track near Barrie that the train was delayed fifteen minutes Sunday last week while they were hammered into proper position.

Floods destroyed the new bridge across the Vista at Warras, which cost \$2,000,000. Crowds were standing on it watching the torrent when it began to give way. Most of them escaped, but twenty were drowned.

Mrs. A. S. Hardy and Mrs. J. H. Stratford have secured the requisite sum of \$4,000 for the furnishing of the Stratford hospital. Brantford. The erection of the structure is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

A serious collision occurred on Sunday morning last at Welland station between a special and a regular freight train, by which a brakeman and fireman were killed and two others injured. The two engines and tenders and six cars were wrecked.

The Rev. W. E. McKay, of Orangeville, has applied to the general assembly of the Presbyterian church to be permitted to retire from the ministry. Mr. McKay, though apparently in vigorous health, is obliged to retire from active service owing to a complaint of the lungs.

Mr. Thos. Gollan, of Tilsonburg, while yawning on getting up the other morning, either overstepped the bounds set by prudence or miscalculated his distance, for he dislocated his jaw and could not close his mouth again. By the side of a doctor it was got into working order.

The other eight a crowd of roughs attacked a corps of the Salvation Army in Toronto, and created a good deal of excitement. About five hundred citizens congregated in a few minutes. Several members of the Army were badly beaten and had their clothes torn to ribbons.

The Battleford, Northwest Territory people have had an Indian case. Farm-instructor Ursig, on Chief Poundmaker's reserve, was beaten by two Indians, and provisions taken from the Government store. Poundmaker would not give up Ursig's assailants, and defied the police. Major Crozier and eighty police went to enforce the arrest, which was finally accomplished. A bloody conflict was narrowly avoided as the Indians were in war array and showed great determination. The people of Battleford armed and prepared for defence and families took shelter in the barracks.

The Stratford Beacon says:—On Monday a wedding party came off the Georgian Bay division, whose innocent antics created considerable amusement. Besides the happy couple there were attendants of either sex, ten in number, all adorned with rosettes and bridal finery. Hand in hand they wandered through the principal streets, and after purchasing a large bride cake they again wended their way to the station, the bride and groom alternately carrying the confectionery. They took the evening train for the north apparently rejoicing in their new found happiness.

Mr. Herman Ubelacker, of Stratford, who appears before the public as Professor J. H. Burton, lost his valuable collection of trained dogs in New York last week. He was filling an engagement in that city, and one morning had his dogs out for an airing and when he ordered them back to their kennels, one after the other fell dead at his feet. It was found that they had eaten poisoned liver, which was discovered in the yard and had been placed there it is supposed, by some jealous professional rival. The dogs were all very well trained and were valued at \$7,000, which it appears they were well worth, as they netted their owner a handsome income. Out of eleven canines seven were poisoned, and those the best of the lot.

Port Hope Times:—There is a vein of grim humor running through the curiously constructed address presented at Downsview by the Reformers of East Durham to Mr. Blake, M. H. H. Burnham a peering in the character of the "joker."

The address set out with the appropriate statement that, as a representative "gathering of the Reformers of East Durham, etc., it was decided to express to Mr. Blake their "high appreciation" of his "noble and disinterested efforts" had been so futile in placing the "foundations of this great confederacy on a satisfactory basis." It certainly was anything but flattering to refer the honorable gentleman of how little benefit it had been to the country, and he must have felt that he was being kicked while down.

Every man is the son of his own deeds.—Spanish proverb.

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