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"Bobs" Again
There's a little man we know,
Name o' Bobs,
Comin' out to work the show—
Our Bobs;
Sixty odd, if 'e's a day,
Trifle baldish, trifle gray—
Which don't matter anyway,
Do it Bobs?
When the prospect don't entice
Ring up Bobs;
You will get the best advice
Off'n Bobs;
If yer Ammy's put to rout
And the people's on the shout
An' the 'Orse Guards feels in doubt
Send for Bobs.
'E don't gas about the game,
Our pal Bobs;
Bat 'e plays it just the same,
F. M. Bobs;
Walkin' ears, an' sense an' eyes,
Nuffin takes 'im by surprise—
Try an' get a bloomin' rise
Outer Bobs!
'E's the sort to bring you luck
General Bobs;
An' 'e'll wire you when 'e's stuck,
Little Bobs;
When they say 'e can't fight Boer,
It just sorter makes 'im roar
Till 'is little chest is sore—
Don't it Bobs?
Uncle Kroojer sits at 'ome—
See 'im Bobs!
Thinkin' 'e's the Pope o' Rome—
I say, Bobs!
Kroojer's landy with the knocks,
An' as artful as a fox;
Who's a goin' to give 'im socks?
Well—it's Bobs!
We are fit for anyfink
Under Bobs.
Fightin' simply meat and drink
When we've Bobs;
All our Generals means biz,
All has blood in 'em like fizz,
But for general purposes
Gimme Bobs!
So ere's to Bobs Bahadur—
Good old Bobs, Bobs, Bobs!
'E's our comin' Transvaalader
Little Bobs, Bobs, Bobs!
Mr. Kipling, I am sure,
Won't be angry if once more
We chalk plainly on the floor,
"Bless yer Bobs!"
—T. W. Crosland, in The Outlook.

ALDERMEN ALL SWORE
That They Would Serve the Town Faithfully

FIRST MEETING ON MONDAY—THE CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES—MAYORSMYTH'S ADDRESS—WORKS WILL GO ON—BY LAWS READ

With the exception of Alderman Graham the representatives-elect met at the council chamber on Monday morning and took the oath of office.

Mayor Smyth addressed his colleagues and in doing so returned thanks for his election and declared the people fortunate in procuring such an aggregation of brains to surround the board.

Chairmen of the different committees were then chosen as follows: Finance, Ald. Touchburn, Board of Works, Ald. Jackson, Police, Ald. Gilgoly. The appointment for town property committee was left till evening.

Ald. Touchburn advocated calling for tenders for material for the board of works at once. Green cedar should be purchased from the farmers direct. It would last longer than the dry sort usually got.

Ald. Crandell—I don't favor buying too much timber for walks. They are being put down in cement for 10 cents a foot and that is less than we pay for sidewalks. Let us have cement walks as much as possible.

In the Evening
Council met again at 7.30 in the evening and Ald. Graham was made chairman of the Town Property committee.

LETTERS
R. G. Corneil asked permission to hold the annual meeting of the Farmer's Mutual Insurance company in the council chamber on Feb. 7th.—Granted.

A. W. Law of the Monetary Times asked to be advised of any contemplated works or of bonds for sale throughout the year.—Fyled.

E. A. Hardy asked for \$91.95 due the Public Library under the rate struck for the use of that institution.—Finance.

J. Ross Robertson asked for a grant for the Sick Children's Hospital.—Finance.

Clerk Knowlson certified to the majorities in favor of the waterworks and railway by-laws.—Fyled.

BY-LAWS
The by-laws (1) appointing Mr. John Kennedy High school trustee, (2) authoriz-

ing the mayor and treasurer to borrow \$25,000 for current expenses, (3) appointing F. D. Moore to the Public Library board and (4) appointing Messrs. Kyle and Keith to the Board of Health, were read three times. Those sanctioning the purchase of the waterworks and the grant of \$25,000 to the Pontypool railway were read a third time.

The last named roused Capt. Crandell's ire. He spoke as follows: This is premature. Hold it over. Do not press it too fast. We are bound to pass the by-law but there are other little things to be attended to. We shall lose nothing by waiting. It seems strange that there is such haste in carrying it.

Ald. Jackson—Everything is provided for in the by-law; we can lose nothing by passing it.

Ald. Crandell—We can't gain anything either. We have no agreement about a station yet. Let us know more before we vote away our money. There must be something in the wind.

When the by-law was carried the commodore made a parting shot by declaring that "Some of you would give away the Lord's Supper"

MOTIONS
Jackson—Here—That the various committees bring in their estimates at next regular meeting.—Carried.

Jackson—Here—That the Board of Works be asked to see about getting material for street and walks.
Council adjourned.

ONE OF EUGENE FIELD'S PRANKS.
His Story of the Tragic Death of Kate Field's Spanish Lover.

Editor Kohlsaat related a funny story of the delight "Gene" Field took in teasing Kate Field, and how vexed she would be at the pranks he was continually playing upon her.

"But the story that broke Kate Field's heart was written by 'Gene' when she was in Spain writing up the Spanish in 1895. It was one of the most ingenious and sensational fakes ever sprung on the public," said Mr. Kohlsaat.

"The thing purported to be a special from a correspondent at Madrid. Having first, in delicate fashion, announced that the Duke of Matano had offered his hand to Miss Field and had been accepted, 'Gene' proceeded with the thrilling episode he had dreamed out.

"Miss Field had one day arrayed herself brilliantly in a lovely silk costume in which red and yellow, Spain's colors, largely predominated. She was to attend the bullfight with her lover. The arrival of Matano and his dual equipage, splendid attire and ceremonious attentions to his fiancée were elaborately set forth. Miss Field in her gorgeous robes accompanied the duke to the Plaza del Toros.

"Arrived at the plaza, the duke found the assemblage so large that he would not deign to mingle with the crowd that poured in at the main entrance, but bribed those in charge of the arena to let him pass through with his bride to be.

"It was an innovation that took the people by storm. The haughty courtier escorting the lovely girl, the mingled glitter and gleam of his gilded trappings and her silken draperies enraptured the great multitude that sat tier on tier about the vast amphitheater.

"In this imposing manner the duke, his innamorata and his retinue traversed the entire diameter of the arena. The first bull had not yet been brought in, and Miss Field and the duke were for the time being the whole attraction.

"Just as the duke made ready to assist his lady over the barricade a wild cry rang out from the throng, a shout of terror, not of applause. Through some mistake a bull had been admitted to the arena too soon and, glimpsing Miss Field's dress, rushed for her in headlong rage.

"Miss Field shrieked and fainted with terror, but the strong arms of the duke thrust her quickly over the barrier, where a hundred hands stretched upward to receive her limp figure, but her lover had no time to save himself, and the next instant the horns of the infuriated bull were buried in his vitals."

"Well," said Mr. Kohlsaat, "this story was copied everywhere, and the sympathy of the world went out to the lovely American who had lost her lover in this tragic manner."

"Only the other day," said Miss Field, "a young lady came to me and said, 'Oh, Miss Field, I have often longed to meet you and tell you how deeply I sympathize with you in the loss of your lover over in Spain; that splendid fellow who—And she was much frozen with astonishment when I cut her off and said, 'Rats!'"—Denver Post.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

The Angler's Dream.
When city streets are dull and gray
And office hours are dull as they;
When, like a schoolboy back at school,
I dream about the salmon pool,
Down from my mantelpiece I reach
The idle reel and make it screech.

What glorious memories will be found
In that exhilarating sound—
The freshness of the autumn breeze
That whistles through the roan trees,
The moorland air, the grouse that calls,
And, best of all, the spate that falls;

The spate that as it hurries by
Bears down my realistic fly;
My Wilkinson, my silver Scott,
My yellow Doctor or what not,
A spacious morsel to invite
The salmon's jaded appetite!

Humor this folly to the full
And give my listless line a pull;
A sudden jerk that may feel
The thrill and hear the whirling reel;
May fight again those fights of mine
With strenuous rod and running line.

I see him leaping over there,
A bar of silver in the air;
I hear the onlookers pronounce
Him twenty pounds if he's an ounce;
His rushes and his leaps begin,
He struggles—but I always win.

I never felt the sudden drag
That proves me broken round a snag;
Life may admit of griefs like these,
But in my dreamland to the lees
The chalice of delight I quaff
And always bring him to the gaff.

They Don't Say Eeyther.
"Hello!" called a high pitched voice through the telephone. "Is this Twigg's & Haggerty, in the back of the yards district?"

"Yes."
"This is Mr. Fox of Kenworth. Is either of the firm in?"
"Come again?"
"I say is either member of the firm in?"
"Is what member of the firm in?"
"Either—either! Can't you understand?"
"Don't catch it. Say it again."

Peter Pipkin's Triumph.
Mr. Peter Pipkin has a smile today for all; Little Peter Pipkin without doubt is growing tall; He holds his head up higher and squares his shoulders back. A long tailed coat has taken the place of the old sack; A high silk tile adorns his head, a stick is in his hand. As down the street with grace he walks, his face serene and bland. Yet, stay! Our Pip walks not today; he rather glides on vapor. For he's had his picture printed in the paper.

Mr. Peter Pipkin greets his wife with dignity; Instead of Sally, as of yore, he calls her Mrs. P. Indulgently the children are allowed to kiss their sire. The servant walks as though on pins, expecting something dire. The office boy is filled with awe as Pip walks through the room. And all his friends are betting on the reason for the boom. But Pip just looks mysterious and still floats in his vapor. For he's had his picture printed in the paper. —Philadelphia North American.

A Star Upon Matrimony.
No, she could not think of becoming his wife. "But I entreat you not to go to the dogs!" she exclaimed. "I shall not, since you ask it!" he sobbed, and he was true to his word. He did not go to the dogs. It was perhaps better, after all, that a man with so little real insight into the feminine nature should never marry.—Detroit Journal.

Gwine Shut Down Soon.
Fry dat hatterraks,
Bake dat pone,
Season de cabbage,
Wild er clean ham bone;
Haul gwine, black man,
Cut away, room,
Gwine stop grindin,
Gwine shut down soon.

De roller mill, yaller gal,
Squeeze de cane,
De one yo' lub,
Gwine squeeze yo' Jane;
Roas' me er possum,
An bake me er corn;
De boss sez he,
Gwine shut down soon. —New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Fixing the Responsibility.
"It's strange," he said, "how easy it is for a pretty girl to make a fool of a man."
"Oh, I don't think I would put it just that way," she replied, "but I will admit that it's strange how easy it is for a man to make a fool of himself over a pretty girl. Fools, you know are usually self made."

Mother Goose Up to Date.
There was a man in our town
Invested all his health,
With madly avaricious aim,
To win the goal of wealth,
And when the same he had attained,
With all his might and main,
He vainly lavished all his health
To get his health again.

Precedence.
"Here, you've headed this article wrong."
"What's the matter with it?"
"You call it 'Chicago's Experience With Grand Opera.' It ought to be 'Grand Opera's Experience With Chicago.'"—Indianapolis Journal.

Regular Procedure.
He proposed to the congressman's daughter,
The maiden so young and so pretty,
And abstractedly she
Said, "The matter will be referred to the proper committee."
—Chicago Tribune.

Poor Charlie.
Mother—What has become of Charlie?
I haven't seen him this morning.
Daughter—He is in Uncle John's room.
Uncle John is taking Charlie's photograph by the instantaneous process, and that always takes several hours.—Tampabay Times.

No Re-election Needed.
One curious fact must give us pause—
We strive for all things new,
But when it comes to Santa Claus
The same old boy will do.
—Chicago Record.

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