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For some men get a heap of loaves and others heapsed stun
Now Ben an' I was both born there, my father was the Squire,
An' owned a farm that reached from town to Jones crick over there
Ben's father was a shiftless idjot, who died when Ben was small,
An' left Mis Grey an' little Ben with nothin thorn at all.
Luck always had a spite at me, and always favor ed him.
Though I was much the likeller lad, for he was powerful slim.
We never thought that he was much, he never liked to fight
I could have tied my left hand up and licked him with my right
He never had a mite o' grit, I recollect that when
We tried to learn to chaw and smoke it was as sick again;
But I kep' on an learned 'em both, though dad he jawed like split,
An Mis' Grey only talked to Ben, and he backed out and quit
Bookle arnin'? Well, I spose of course he wasn't quite a fool,
An' he spent half his time or more a monkeyin' roun at school
I never saw no sense in that nor never wanted to,
So when I'd learned to write I called my education through
Oh, no, 'twas just his natural luck that's helped him on in life
There was a girl once here in town I bowed to make my wife;
But when I asked her she said 'no,' an' stuck to it an thus
First thing I knew the country fool had gone an married Ben
I couldn't fairly make me mad' I've almost been kicked down
While men not half so good as me get money an renown
This pesky world hain't used me white, but not your fattest sheep
That I hain't goin to work to hurt for it were mean to keep.

Youth's Companion.

Select Family Reading.

Guy Randolph's Choice.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Introduce me, Charley' Certainly by all means, although I am not a desirable *part*," and a touch of sarcasm rang through Guy Randolph's clear tones

"Don't be so absurd, old fellow Since your loss of fortune, you seem to imagine the women to have suddenly become mortal fortune hunters For my part, I believe the girls of the present day to be as noble-souled, as true hearted as ever were their grandmothers in the boasted age of the past True, there is a new element of fashion and frivolity, there are temptations now were then unknown, but look underneath Guy old fellow, beneath the silk and lace and outward adornment and you will find hidden the most precious jewel, which only needs a wearer to give forth its brightest rays"

"A capital sermon Charley You have missed your vocation As yours, until this evening," and with a cordial shake of

"Dear old Charley' What a noble fellow he is," mused Guy Randolph, as he sauntered off the piazza down toward the springs 'Last summer I might have argued just as he does, but that was before I had learned my lesson in such a bitter school I am not likely to forget it Miss Carruthers, you are welcome to your conquest; and to-night I am to be introduced to Miss Anderson I wish I hadn't Excuse me, I beg pardon" for Guy a reverie had been suddenly interrupted by his stumbling almost over a young lady standing in his path

"Certainly," a sweet voice replied

A pair of laughing blue eyes met his as he stood with uncovered head and a look of unconscious admiration. Then both paraued their way

"Miss Anderson, my friend, Mr Randolph You must excuse me now my duties as floor manager bang somewhat onerous, and I shall have to leave you to entertain each other unassisted. I know it will be hard work," and, with a bright laugh Charley disappeared

"A very difficult task, indeed, but one I must preface by apologizing for my awkward encounter of this morning For in the pretty blushing face before him Guy had recognized the lady whom he had nearly stumbled over a few hours before

"Don't speak of it, Mr. Randolph It was my fault fully as much as your own and no serious damage was done on either side"

Can you testify to that' I have been haunted all day by a pair of blue eyes, suddenly brought to earth from their far off gaze, and wondered what they thought of the mundane wretch who dared thus interrupt their reverie Had I known I was to have been brought to face their batteries I fear my appetite would have deserted me entirely'

"Don't be satirical, Mr Randolph I find the earth too pleasant to look far beyond it Are you having a pleasant summer?"

"Very pleasant, as summers go, but I have been through so many of them with the same routine that eventually it be comes wearisome. However after to night I trust to awaken from my lethargy Can you resist this waltz Miss Anderson" Do give me the pleasure I know you love dancing, and of course you dance well"

Weeks passed and Guy Randolph found the words he had so jestingly spoken of awakening from his lethargy were becoming reality In this girl a fresh young beauty and frank enjoyment of every pleasure, he found a strange delight an interest he would have scarcely deemed possible could be aroused in him

"She is like all the rest," he would sometimes muse when alone at night, enveloped in a cloud of tobacco smoke, his favorite hour for meditation. "Was there ever yet a woman who had not surface charm' Underneath she is doubtless false as the rest"

But between him and his bitter reverie would come a pair of eyes laughing in his own, the memory of a cheek, with the blood stealing upward at some whispered word of his into the pretty ear, a mouth whose every line spoke frankness, and he could not put the seal upon his own harsh verdict

One afternoon there came a new arrival at the Springs, a Miss Carruthers who had come to join her aunt, already domiciled. A tall handsome brunette, with a figure of striking elegance, she scarce could pass un noticed anywhere.

Guy Randolph and Miss Anderson were returning from a long horseback ride up the mountain side when first he saw her. He had just assisted Miss Anderson to dismount, had breathed a something into her ear which brought the bright blood to her face then turned to meet Ina Carruthers' dark eyes fixed upon him. For a moment he turned deathly pale, then, becoming himself, with a low bow would have passed on, but nothing daunted, she held out to him one shall hand, and said, in her softest tones:

"Guy, have you no welcome for me?"

"Of course, am very happy to see Miss Carruthers." Then dropping with but the faintest pressure, the hand sparkling with jewels passed on.

Into Ina Carruthers eyes came a light ning flash. This was the man who, when last she had seen him, she had sent from her doomed to future misery by her own judgement. Once she had swayed him at her will, seen all the fierce, unmastering passions of his love, given him the promise he had asked of her, sworn love for love, till came the crash and loss of fortune, when she had bid him go She could not wed herself to poverty. But in the long months which followed there came a strange loneliness into her life which proved how weak was her strength; and when she learned how out of the debris of his fortune Guy Randolph was bravely building up anew wealth and honor, she determined once more to lure him to her side.

Even in the mazes of the dance that night, with his arm encircling Nellie Anderson's slender waist, he saw watching them two dark eyes An echo of the past they stirred him to the depths, and resurrected all the hidden bitterness he had thought forever past, till Nellie, looking into his face with wondering eyes, pondered what change had come to him

Six days passed on, days, when to escape from himself, or the burning gaze of the eyes which haunted him, he often sought Nellie Anderson's side She was like a cooling spring in a desert wild, a sweet fresh rose in an arid wilderness, till gradually the scale fell, one by one, from his warped vision, and he saw things in a new light

"Guy, I have reserved this dance for you," he heard spoken in his ears as he was about entering the ball room, and turning saw her who spoke

"I am honored," he coldly said and drawing Miss Carruthers to him they were soon lost in the dance Lower and lower drooped her head, until it almost settled on his shoulder The perfume of her hair was wafted toward him; more tightly his arm encircled the yielding form, till at last she whispered

"Let us go outside I am tired of all this light and merriment I want quiet and rest

Then when they had strolled out to the piazza, almost deserted, with the old witching sweetness she so thoroughly understood, she whispered

"Guy, will you forgive me" And looking up into his face, with the eyes in which gleamed the depth of passionate love of which her nature was capable, she waited the answer she felt so sure would follow

But into Guy Randolph's eyes crept a strange, stern look, all new to her Between him and this dark eyed siren came a sweeter purer vision of a girl who neither asked nor sought forgiveness, and he found strength to answer

"Ina, I can readily forgive you, since the lesson you have taught for unately did not come too late to mar both our lives There was a time I could have cursed you That hour has past Hereafter we will meet as friends"

"It was all a mistake Guy, but I have been the sufferer Have you no word of pity for me?"

"Pity' Had you pity when you sent me from your presence, ready to blot out my existence through you' I thought my faith in women forever lost. What were your vows when you swore you loved me? False! false as the lips which uttered them. The rose without its fragrance is less, Ina than the humblest wild flower growing at your feet The perfume has fled, the past is buried And since God has given me back my shattered faith I can say, I forgive you Nay more, I say thank you"

Then Ina Carruthers knew her game was lost She had played her last card and failed to take the trick

Later that evening Guy Randolph again paced the piazza with another by his side and told to Nellie's ear he poured the story of his life

I had thought my pure shipwrecked vessel hopelessly struggled darling, for what vessel can sail the broad sea of life without a woman at the prow' had lost faith and hope had grown almost reckless, until in the first glimpse into your eyes I read there love and truth You have saved me, Nellie But I need you, darling I cannot spare you longer from my side Will you come to me come as my wife'

"I am here Guy was her answer

WHAT WIVES ARE FOR

It is not to sweep the house and make the beds, and darn the socks and cook the meat, chiefly that a man wants a wife If this is all he wants, hired servants can do that cheaper than a wife If this is all, when a young man calls to see a young lady, send him into the pantry to taste the bread and cakes that she has made or send him to see the needlework and bed making, or put a broom in her hands and send him to witness its use Such things are important and the wise young man will quietly look after them But what the true man most wants of a wife is her companionship, sympathy and love The way of life has many dreary places in it, and man needs a companion with him A man is sometimes overtaken with misfortune he meets a failure and defeat, trials and temptations beset him, and he needs one to stand by and sympathize. He has some stern battles to fight with poverty, with enemies, and with sin, and he needs a woman, who, as he puts an arm around her, feels that he has something to fight for and will help him to fight, who will put her lips to his ear and whisper words of counsel, and her hand to his heart and impart new inspiration

Scrofula eradicated and all kindred diseases cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which by its stalwart and alterative effects, makes pure blood

What tools shall I use? said the laborer to his foreman Oh, take your pick, was the easy reply

HON. NEAL DOW ON THE MAINE LAW.

In view of the one-sided testimony, as we deemed it, on the operation of the Prohibition Law in the State of Maine, given before the Royal Commission on Temperance in Toronto, we thought it well to write to headquarters for positive information, and requested the Hon. Neal Dow to give us the latest facts in the case. We have received to reply the following letter:—

PORTLAND, Nov. 1, 1893.

Rev. W. H. Withrow, D. D.—Dear Sir, —I know that in Canada you are having a great campaign for prohibition. I pray God to give you abundant success, not only for the good of Canada, but because of the help we shall find in it. I hear that Prof. Goldwin Smith has said in the papers that prohibition is a failure in Maine. I hope there is some mistake about it that he did not say it, because it is not true. Perhaps you can somehow send word to him from me, that I hope that report of his saying so is a mistake.

I am far from saying or thinking that Mr. Smith has intentionally said a thing that is in no sense true, touching a public question of supreme importance to the country and the people If he said it, please tell him from me, that he is mistaken it is not true, on the contrary the Maine Law from the beginning in 1851 to this day, has been a great, a wonderful success, though Maine is not yet entirely delivered from the consequences, as it will be some day, not very far in the future.

Goldwin Smith, of all men, should not stake his honour and reputation for veracity upon a statement relating to a public question of far greater importance to the prosperity of the country than any other, without being assured of its truth.

Now why do I feel myself justified in saying that prohibition is a great success in Maine?

1. Maine, before the Maine law was the poorest State in the Union spending in strong drink the entire valuation of all its property of every kind in every period of twenty years, as the nation is now doing in every period of thirty five years. There was no State in the Union consuming more drink than Maine, in proportion to its population, while now there are no people in the Anglo Saxon world consuming so little.

2. Maine is now one of the most prosperous States in the Union Mr Blaine, in the fiercest campaign in a great meeting in City Hall, Portland, said it was the most prosperous State in the Union Directly and indirectly, it saves more than twenty-four million dollars annually, which but for prohibition, would be wasted in drink as in the old time

3. There were many distilleries in Maine, some of which were in Portland, and two breweries, now there is not one remaining and has not been for many years At the time great quantities of West India rum were imported coming to us by the cargo, many cargoes every year Now not even one puncheon comes to us, nor has there been one for many years

4. Liquor shops were everywhere over the State, wholesale and retail, some of them on a large scale, now the liquor sold here in violation of the law is small in quantity, and on the sly. Three days ago I had information direct from the head clerk of one of our great wholesale grocery firms, all the members of which were well known to me, he said that the firm sold 1,000 hogsheads of rum annually and sold as much as fifty hogheads annually each to country traders. There were in this city at that time many other wholesale dealers, all of them largely engaged in the liquor trade. Now there is no wholesale liquor dealer in the State, and the retail shops are few, small, and all of them selling more or less upon the sly

5. In more than three fourths of our territory, containing more than three fourths of our population, the liquor traffic is practically unknown; an entire generation has grown up there never having seen a rum-shop, nor the effects of one. A fraction of the traffic lingers in our cities and towns, but only a fraction. Portland is our largest city It is far within the fact to say, that there is not one hundredth part so much liquor sold here as there was before prohibition, though the city is twice larger than it was then.

6. In 1886, after an experience of the benefits of prohibition for thirty five years we had a popular vote on a prohibitory constitutional amendment, which was adopted by a majority of 17,000 the affirmative vote being three times larger than the negative With intelligent, unprejudiced people the fact alone should be accepted as conclusive proof that Prohibition is a wise policy, promoting the public good

7. Prohibition has caused every decent man to abandon the liquor trade, which is now in the hands of the lowest part of our population, mostly foreigners That even a fraction of it remains is due to the fact that our liquor law has serious defects, which will be corrected by and bye, and some of our Courts are not true to their duty and official oath

John Bright said if intemperance could be put away from England it could not be recognized as the same country. Precisely that has taken place in Maine as the result of Prohibition. In the old rum time all over the State there were indications of poverty and decay Everywhere were dilapidated, tumble down houses, barns, fences, school houses, meeting houses, and public buildings, old hats and rags in the windows instead of glass, doors off the hinges, the cattle hide bound, shivering under the lee of dilapidated barns infallible proofs of rilleness, laziness, poverty and decay; now there is none of that anywhere Everything indicates industry enterprise, thrift and prosperity Many can no longer be recognized as the same

The blessings and prosperity coming to Maine from Prohibition are so great that they cannot be numbered or estimated by any mode of computation now known to us Respectfully,

NEAL DOW.

This letter but bears out our own personal experience. We spent nearly a week in the city of Portland and a still longer time in other parts of Maine and did not see a sign of a "bar room" anywhere. We were assured at the hotel where we stopped that no liquor was sold there even to guests, and that they did not know where any was sold. Professor Goldwin Smith's statement that prohibition is a failure in Maine simply shows how good men may be mistaken. Professor Goldwin Smith is the very soul of honour. He is incapable of saying anything which he does not believe to be absolutely true; yet the words of Cromwell to his Ironsides may be applied to him: "Believe it possible, beloved, that you are mistaken"

Even though it were technically true that prohibition of the liquor does not absolutely prevent all sales on the sly and in holes and corners, neither does prohibition of murder, arson, or theft absolutely prevent the commission of these crimes. But surely it is infinitely better that this nefarious traffic should be driven into holes and corners, into dark cellars and musty attics, than it should be defiantly flaunted with all the garish attractions of cut glass, mixed drinks and free lunches at the street corners to beguile multitudes of young men by he pernicious treating custom to their ruin. "A whole generation," says Neal Dow, "has grown up who have never seen a rum shop, nor the effects of one." God grant that the next generation of Canadians may share this blessing! We hope that every paper which has quoted Professor Goldwin Smith's statements concerning the Maine Law will give at least equal publicity to the Hon. Neal Dow's emphatic testimony. Similar to this, we believe, was the experience of the *Globe* commissioners appointed to make inspection on this subject.

A FRENCH JOKE.

A very absent-minded member of the French Institute was reading the news paper in the casino at Dieppe the other day. He was absorbed in his reading, and with his left hand he unconsciously pushed the files of newspapers on the table. Each moment he sent them farther from him. Beyond the papers was an inkstand, which at last the moving papers pushed over the side of the table. It fell on the trousers of a Paris, banker who was furious at the accident.

The absent minded man offered his best excuses without appeasing the banker's wrath, who shrieked that his new trousers were ruined.

"But, sir, I will cheerfully pay for them Be good enough to give me your card and I will send the money to your hotel

"To my hotel, Sir. I don't know you. I must instantly have the 30 francs these trousers cost."

The member of the institute drew forth the 30 francs and handed them to the banker. Then he said:

"Now that you have been paid, I hope you have too much delicacy of a gentleman to remain in my trousers. You know they are mine, and I insist upon their immediate delivery to me. You have no confidence in me, I have none in you My trousers"

In vain the banker protested against such haste. The crowd that had gathered about the disputants said that the member of the institute was right, and the banker after sending for another pair of nether garments surrendered the ink stained ones amid the laughter of the by standers.

HE WAS SATISFIED

Country boys who are inclined to think that life in cities is easy and comfortable compared with their daily toil in the country, are apt to find themselves mistaken when they come to town and subject themselves to the high pressure system of business establishments An amusing example of this sort is related by a country exchange.

A farmer's boy went to the city finding the work at home rather tiresome, and obtained a situation in a large "family supply" store where a "rushing business" was carried on He "took hold" very well and his employers liked him

They were surprised, however when he came to them before he had been two months in the store and said

"Well, Mr A , I guess I'll have to get through here next Saturday night

"Get through?" said his employer Why, what's gone wrong?"

"Oh, nothing particular."

"Aren't you treated well?

"First rate, but I'll tell you just how it strikes me. Up on the farm we used to have the threshing machine come once a year, and then we threshed for three days, and you'd better believe we worked hard, but I tell you what, I've been here now seven weeks and you've threshed every day! I guess I've got enough of it."

He went back to the farm convinced that a farmer's life has its compensations.

Youth's Companion.

NOT GREATER THAN A BANK

An empty discussion was taking place between two colored men on Bates street recently, and one of them was about to lay hands on the other when Daddy White came down Cadillac square and stopped to ask what the row was about

"Put when once me half dollar + ex plied one of the disputants

"I don't deny it!" said Ole Arter

"Den why don't you pay me?

"Kase it's too soon

"If yo doan pay me dat half dollar I gwine to smash yo fine"

"Hole on, Mister Simpkins, hole on!" said Daddy, as he stepped between the pair "Let's see how dis yere case stands How long has dis gem'lan owed yo half a dollar?"

"Bout fo' weeks

"Has yo dun said hist fer it lak

"No, sah

"Den yo' hain't got no case no how, stop yo' racket.

"Doan he owe me dat money?

"Of co'se he does, but ain yo a bigger man dan a savin's bank? If yo wants dat money yo gib him 60 days notis an do business in a bizness way Humph! De ideah of a white washin child man sottin hisself up to be bigger n a bank wid a mill you dollars in it" Detroit *Free Press*.

IGNORANCE ABOUT BEEF.

The business of a retail butcher will make the biggest liar of a man of anything on earth Do you know that he asked Thomas Tracy, the Union market butcher

The man could not say that he knew it, and so Mr Tracy explained his statement, saying "Well, you see a retail butcher cannot carry a very large stock, but he must please all his customers. A man comes in and wants a steak, 'fresh as possible, from beef that more than 24 hours killed'

"The butcher says all right, and cuts the steak from a forty-eight hour beef. Then a fellow comes in and wants a thirty six hour steak. He gets one from the same beef, and so it goes, even down to the old Englishman who wants one a week or two weeks old that has become mellow. That is cut from a part of the quarter that has been bruised in handling, or if it is not it is so tick at all to begin it a little."

"But do not these people catch onto the fact that they have been humbugged?"

"Not a bit of it Why, nine people out of ten don't know a raw steak from a piece of roast." *St. L.*

I DON'T WAIT TILL HER LIPS HAVE GROWN COLD, MY BOY.

MRS. L. H. BRAKE

You may grieve your mother's fond heart, my boy,
You may slight her love and her prayers, my boy,
You may turn from her now and scorn her counsel, my boy,
You may disdain her homely advice, my boy,
But her thoughts turn to you with care, my boy,
As she knelt at her feet in prayer.

You may roam over the earth, my boy,
You may win both renown and gold,
You may drink the flowing cup of pleasure, my boy,
You may live till the world is old, my boy,
But never again that mother's love,
You may know the sweet faithful touch to you.
And your friends may prove false,
That mother love's constant and true.

They cherish her family and well, my boy,
'Tis manly such love to bestow,
Affection to parents bespeaks, my boy,
The Lord, he has promised, you know
Repent it, you will not, I'm sure, my boy,
When cold'th that last long sleep,
And over those patient, time furrowed brows,
You kiss those cold lips as you weep.

May your grief be untinged with remorse, my boy,
'Tis manly such love to bestow,
If you love your mother, don't wait, my boy,
Just kiss her and tell her so.

CURIOUS FACTS ABOUT WATER.

The extent to which water mingles with bodies apparently the most solid is very wonderful The glittering opal, which beauty wears as an ornament, is only flint and water Of twelve hundred tons of earth which a landholder has in his estate, four hundred are water. The snow capped summits of Snowdon and Ben Nevis have many million tons of water in a solid form In every plaster of Paris statue which an Italian carries through our streets for sale, there is one pound of water to every four pounds of chalk.

The air we breathe contains five grams of water to every cubic foot of its bulk. The potatoes and the turnips which are boiled for our dinner have, in their raw state, about one seventy five per cent, the other ninety five per cent, of water A man is, chemically speaking, about forty five pounds of carbon and nitrogen, diffused through five and a half gallons of water.

In plants, water [illegible] no less wonderful [illegible] orates one ounce per square inch, and [illegible] day, and a [illegible] tity. A [illegible] days, about one hundred and seventy [illegible] of water An acre of thousand [illegible] this calculation, drains growing [illegible] ten tons of water per and passes out [illegible] ants in the medium day. The sap of [illegible] pump, up which ed. It forms a delicate [illegible] the watery particles run [illegible] ity of a swift stream. [illegible] the sap, various properties [illegible] municated to the growing [illegible] in France is, for instance, dyed [illegible] ous colors being mixed with [illegible] is poured over the root of the tree. [illegible] has also been colored by a similar process.

HORSES AND RIDERS.

A man never looks more manly than when astride a good steed which he knows how to sit and govern On the other hand, an individual who is not master of the situation looks supremely ridiculous on the outside of a horse.

Equine a lovely creature By the time his rider has settled himself in his saddle he has formed his own opinion of that rider's capacity for horse government If unfavorable, he manifests it either by direct rebellion or open contempt. If an animal of violent and ungoverned passions, he flings his heels in high arch in the air, or makes a biped of himself by standing bolt upright on his hind feet, or takes the bit between his teeth and executes a gallop-ade In either case the usual result is a spill, and a laugh from those who witness the [illegible] discomfiture

A less demonstrative equine quadruped, or one that has been trained to repress his feelings takes it out in bitter sarcasm. His pantomimic satire is beautiful to behold. He tosses his head derisively, works his ears disdainfully, his whisk tail scoffingly, he winks and leers at [illegible] horse he meets as much as to say, "I see what a guy I've got on my back," and neighs mockingly he snorts contemptuously.

Horses in this ironical mood [illegible] frequently be seen and they always [illegible] their backs a valid excuse for their dumb show of scorn A great many young men take equestrian exercise, who have not the gift to turn and wind a fiery Pegasus, but are in fact compelled to turn and wind as their four footed companions think best. If they wish to be esteemed of horse flesh the sooner they take lessons in the art of cultivating its confidence and respect the better for of a truth "the horse knoweth his rider" Among the multitudes there are unquestionably many graceful and thorough horsemen but the Gilpins predominate

STOPENDS OF THOUGHT.

Men may make creeds but they can't make religion

A woman oftimes tells what she thinks than what she knows

The tongue wasn't made to tell everything the eyes see or the ears hear

Stinginess is perverted economy

No man is absolutely free from hypocrisy

Most of the beautiful things in the world do not talk

Death casts no shadow until it is near.

Love pens the sweetest on young hearts and the letters all old ones

Hope paints only in bright colors.

The great man is great in knowing how to make others make him great

WHAT MONEY IS

Money is independence Money is freedom Money is leisure Money is safety. Money is education Money is gratification of taste, benevolence and public spirit. The man is a fool or an angel who does not try to make money

A clear conscience, good health and plenty of money are among the essentials of a full joyous existence. Still, unfortunately, it too often happens that people who have an abundant supply of money are destitute of character While it is desirable that men should have both, still, notwithstanding all the advantages of money, it is better to have character.

Our true knowledge is to know our own ignorance. Our true strength is to know our own weakness. Our true dignity is to realize that we have no dignity, and are nobody and nothing in ourselves, and to cast ourselves down before the dignity of God, under the shadow of whose wings and in the smile of whose countenance alone is any created being safe.