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**Mark Twain's Discounts.**

There are some singular discounts allowed in the book trade. They were happily illustrated on one occasion by Mark Twain. One day while the humorist was connected with a publishing house he went into a book store and picking up a volume asked the price. He then suggested that as a publisher he was entitled to 50 per cent discount. To this the clerk assented.

"As I am also an author," said Mark, "it would appear that I am again entitled to 50 per cent discount." Again the clerk bowed.

"And as a personal friend of the proprietor," he modestly continued, "I presume you will allow me the usual 25 per cent discount."

Another bow from the salesman. "Well, drawled the unblushing humorist, "under these conditions I think I may as well take the book. What's the tax?"

The clerk took out his pencil and figured industriously. Then he said with the greatest obsequiousness:

"As near as I can calculate we owe you the book and about 37½ cents. Call again."

**A Wise Man's Deliberations.**

A western editor is the author of the following golden thoughts upon marriages. Nine-tenths of the unhappy marriages are the result of green human calves being allowed to run at large in society pasture with no yoke on them. They marry and have children before they have mustaches. They are fathers of twins before they are proprietors of two pairs of pants, and the little girls they marry are old women before they are twenty years old. Occasionally one of their gosling marriages turn out all right, but it is a clear case of luck. If there was a law against young galoots sparking and marrying before cutting all their

teeth, we suppose the little cusses would evade it some way. But there ought to be sentiment against it. It is time enough for those beatams to think of finding a pullet when they have raised enough money to buy a bundle of lath to make a hen house. But they see a girl who looks cunning and they are afraid there are not going to be enough to go around and they begin to spark real spry, and before they are aware of the sanctity of the marriage relation they are hitched for life, and before they own a cook stove or a bedstead they have to get up in the night and go after the doctor, so frightened that they run themselves out of breath, and abuse the doctor because he don't run too. And when the doctors get there there is not enough linen in the house to wrap up the baby.

In Spain a blacksmith of a village murdered a man, and was condemned to be hanged. The chief peasants of the place joined together and begged of the alcade that he might not suffer, because he was necessary to the place which could not do without a blacksmith to shoe horses, mend wheels and such offices. But the alcade said: "How, then, can I carry out the law? A laborer answered: "Sir, there are two lawyers in the village, and for so small a price one is enough; you may hang the other." —Snap Shots.

**A Gentle Hint.**

In our style of climate, with its sudden changes of temperature—rain, wind and sunshine often intermingled in a single day—it is no wonder that our children, friends and relatives are so frequently taken from us by neglected colds, half the deaths resulting from this cause. A bottle of Boschee's German Syrup kept about your home for immediate use will prevent serious sickness, a large doctor's bill, and perhaps death, by the use of three or four doses. For curing Consumption, Hemorrhages, Pneumonia, Severe Coughs, Croup, or any disease of the Throat or Lungs, its success is simply wonderful, as your druggist will tell you. Get a sample bottle from G. B. Cummings, Regular size, 75 cts. Get Green's Prize Almanac, Cr-25-11

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**The Porch Party.**

Wednesday evening Mrs. Attorney K. R. Smoot and Mrs. Dr. H. P. Newman gave a Porch Party at Attorney Smoot's residence on Prospect Avenue, for their children, Clement and Eleanor Smoot and Helen Newman. The long broad porches at Mr. Smoot's are just right for such a service. Bright red awnings were hung between the pillars so as to enclose the porches and yet not exclude the air. There a long line of large chinese lanterns furnished an abundance of just the kind of light needed. The tables of various sizes and shapes were arranged on all the porches, with a clear passage way between the tables and the house for the numerous waiters.

Fifty-seven invitations were issued and some fifty guests were present, including all the society young people in town. Even Miss Smith came down from their summer resort up in the Wisconsin woods for the occasion. From out of town there were Miss Marian Patton of Oak Park, Willard Bolte of Kenilworth and Wilfred Bell of Chicago.

The menu was varied and the several courses admirably served. The guests spent a full hour or more at the tables, and adjourned thence just in time to reach the Club House for a few hours dancing before that heavy electrical storm struck the city. So far as we could see everything went off in a satisfactory manner and the many guests seemed to have a delightful evening and carried away memories of a very pleasant social gathering.

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**BOARD OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK.**

**NOTICE FOR LETTING CONTRACT.**

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received for grading, draining and paving of Lake Avenue from the south line of Laurel Avenue to the north line of Prospect Avenue, in the City of Highland Park, Illinois, as a whole in accordance with the ordinance therefor. Said bids will be opened on the 30th day of July A. D. 1901, at the hour of 8 p. m., at the office of the Local Board of Improvements in said city. (Not less than 10 days nor more than 15 days from date of notice.)

The specifications for such improvement and blank proposals will be furnished at the office of the City Clerk in the City Building.

The contractor will be paid in Bonds (cash or bonds) which bonds will draw interest at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum.

All proposals or bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park for a sum not less than (10) per centum of the aggregate of the proposal. Said proposals or bids must be delivered to the President of the Board of Local Improvements in open session of said board as the time and place fixed herein for opening the same. No proposal or bid will be considered unless accompanied by a check as herein provided.

The Board of Local Improvements reserve the right to reject any or all bids should they deem it best for the public good.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a bond equal to twenty-five (25) per centum of the contract price of some approved surety company guaranteeing said improvement against defects arising from poor material or poor workmanship, for a period of five years from the date of the completion and acceptance thereof.

R. G. EVANS, President of the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park.

Dated July 15, A. D. 1901.

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