

### Three Great Sales of Pianos.

A list that is the biggest that has ever been compiled, comprising fine pianos, has just been issued by Lyon & Healy. This list contains the names of the hundreds of fine, new pianos just bought by Lyon & Healy from the Thompson Music Co.; the Healy Music Co. and the big F. G. Thearle Piano Co. when those concerns retired from the retail business. Moreover, the particulars of each instrument are given, so that the buyer may judge for himself whether or not the piano is a bargain.

The figures quoted are phenomenally low. Lyon & Healy are making a determined effort to close out all these great stocks of instruments within the next 30 days, and the prices have been reduced with this object in view.

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Senior Partner: That new lady shorthand clerk who types your letters spells ridiculously." Junior Partner: "Does she? Well, if she does, it's about the only word she can spell, so far as my observation goes."

Prof. Kuhneman says: "In London, I once overheard a cook correcting the grammar of a housemaid. 'Don't say ax, you vulgar critter,' corrected the cook. 'say 'harsk!'"—Washington Star.

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When Mrs. Rowland met Mrs. Thresher and said that she had been visiting, Mrs. Thresher did not look surprised. "Oh, I knew you were away," she said. "How did you hear?" inquired Mrs. Rowland. "I didn't hear, I saw. I drove past one day, and some of the curtains were pulled clear up to the top of the window and some were down tight, I knew then Mr. Rowland was trying to keep house.—Kansas City Times.

When J. A. Froude was a student at Oxford, the controversy about faith and works ran high. An examiner asked a candidate what was the value of works. Not knowing the theological views of the questioner, he carefully and cautiously replied, "A few of them would do a man no harm."

Their redeeming feature.—Mme. Bashleu: "I think Ruskin's titles for his books are so happy." Mme. Smithson: "How so?" Mme. Bashleu: "When you know the title of one of his books, you always know one of the things it isn't about."—American Reformer.

She had just been stating her reasons for refusing his hand. "I hope," she said, "that I have made myself perfectly plain." "No, I cannot say that you have," he replied, "I—I think nature had something to do with it." Then he made his exit.

"He doesn't behave as if he belonged to the best society," said one young woman. "No," replied the other, "he behaves as if the best society belonged to him."—Washington Star.

The incumbent of an old church in Wales asked a party of Americans to visit his parochial school. After a recitation he invited them to question the scholars, and one of the party accepted the invitation. "Little Boy," said he, to a rosy-faced lad, "can you tell me who George Washington was?" "Iss, surr," was the smiling reply. "E 'Merican gen'ral." "Quite right. And can you tell me what George Washington was remarkable for?" "Jes, surr. E was remarkable 'cos 'e was a 'Merican and told the trewth." The rest was silence.—Cassell's Journal.

At the close of a lengthened and bitter wrangle between a judge and a prominent counsel the former said, "Well sir, if you do not know how to conduct yourself as a gentleman, I am sure I can't teach you." To which the barrister mildly replied, "That is so, my lord."

The Farmer—How much d'ye expect to git for that plecter of the house y're paintin'?

Artist—Oh, I don't know. Probably \$500.

Farmer—Gee! I'll sell the house for that!!

"Why was the world drowned?" Tiny Mite (triumphantly): "'Cause teacher, it couldn't float." "How do you suppose they filled up their time in the Ark?" Litt'e Fellow (tentatively): "Fishin'!" Other Little Fellow (scornfully): "Couldn't; there were only two worms!"

A country cemetery has the following notice over the gate: "Only the dead who live in the parish are buried here."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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## North Shore News Letter.

### Bride's Playthings Burned.

The burning of the bride's playthings is part of the wedding ceremony in Japan. The bride lights a torch, which she hands to the bridegroom, who with it lights a fire in which the toys are destroyed.

### Uncle Eben on Talk.

"A man likes to hear hisself talk so well," said Uncle Eben, "dat mos' conversation looks jes' like two people impatiently waitin' deir turns to say sumpin'."—Washington Star.

### A Defense.

"Most of the airs people put on about the benefits of foreign travel are all a bluff." "Yes. But you've got to travel yourself in order to be able to call the bluff."

### Problem Is Solved.

"How shall we keep the young men in the small towns?" asks a western college president. Very easy, professor; keep the girls there.

### The Only Noble Born.

Seneca: No man is nobler born than another, unless he is born with better abilities and more amiable disposition.

### Flooring a Blowhard.

If a person tells a notorious and improbable lie, the best way is to match it with one still bigger.

### Satisfaction Is Stagnation.

He who is easily satisfied with his work will never achieve greatness.—Goethe.

### This Is the Sugar Age.

Our national sugar bowl now holds approximately 6,000,000,000 pounds and the contents thereof cost us not far from \$300,000,000 a year. The size of the bowl and our individual extraction from it increase steadily. We eat more candy, more jellies and more preserves, and where the cook books of earlier days prescribed "one cup molasses" the books of to-day call for sugar.

### Success Attainment of Ambition.

Success is the attainment of laudable desires, and the successful man is he who faithfully performs his duty towards himself and all the world besides, and by doing so confers happiness upon himself in the knowledge that he is fulfilling his divine mission here in the hope of an eternal reward hereafter.

### Courted Forty-Five Years.

A Swiss couple have recently married after a courtship of 45 years. They became engaged in their teens, but the young man vowed to make \$50,000 before asking the young lady to marry him. While he was accumulating this amount in America nearly 3,000 love letters passed.

### Her Half.

"Now that we are married," he said, "we are one, and I must insist that this be the last time that you appear in a low-necked gown." "We may be one," she responded with asperity, "but you are only half of us, and I shall dress my half as I please."—Young's Magazine.