### THE NEW ORGAN.

They've got a bran new organ. Sing
For all their fires an' scratch;
They've done just what they said they'd do,
And fetched it into church.

They've found the critter shall be seen
Above the preacher's site;
They've hoisted up their new machine
In every body's sight.

They've a chorister and choir
Against my voice and vote:
For it was never my desire
To praise the Lord by note.

I've been a sister good and true
For five-and-thirty years;
I've done what seemed my part to do,
And prayed my duty clear.

I've sung the hymns both slow and quick,
Just as the preacher read;
And twice, when Preacher Drake was sick,
I took the fork and led.

And now these bold, new-fangled ways
Are coming all about,
And I, right in my latter days,
Am fairly crowded out.

To-day the preacher, "good old dear,"
With tears all in his eyes,
Read, "I can read my title clear,"
To mansions in the skies."

I always liked that blessed hymn,
I s'pose I always will;
It somehow gratifies my whim
In good old Listowel.

But when that choir got up to sing
I could not catch a word;
They sang the most doxologdest thing
A body ever heard.

Some worldly chaps were standing near,
And when I saw them grinning,
I did farewell to every fear
And boldly waded in.

I thought I'd share their tune along,
And tried with all my might;
But their plaguy voice was good and strong
I could not strike it right.

When they were high and I was low,
And also contrariwise;
And I too fast and they too slow,
To "mansions in the skies."

And after every verse, you know,
They play a little tune;
I didn't understand, and so
I started in too soon.

I pitched it pretty middling high,
And fetched a hearty tune;
But, ah! alas! I found that I
Was singing then alone.

They laughed a little, I am told,
But I had done my best;
And not a wave of trouble rolled
Across my peaceful breast.

And Sister Puck, I could but look—
She sits right front of me;
She never was no singing book,
And never went to be.

But then she always tried to do
The best she could; she said—
"She understood the look right through,
And kept it with her head."

But when she tried this morning,
Oh! I had to hitch or jangle;
It kept her head a bobbing so
It even almost came off.

And Preacher Drake, he'll be down on
As one might suppose;
He took one look at Sister Puck
And meekly scratched his nose.

He looked his hymn right through and through,
And laid it on the seat;
And then a pensive sign he drew—
And looked completely beat.

### A Duelist's Deathbed.

Not long ago there died at the Hotel Dieu, Paris, Cadsudal, an old and quarrelsome character, whose anxiety to fight with anybody or on any pretext or none, was not more absurdly excessive than that described in "Romeo and Juliett." The reams of paper he consumed in writing challanges, the thousands upon thousands of friends he sent to thousands of opponets, who would be bold enough to compite. As the old man lay dying in the hospital a priest was sent for to afford him the last consolations of religion. The worthy father did not spare to tell him frankly in what position he was, how obnoxious to Heaven was the desperate life he had led, and the necessity for his prompt and thorough repentance. When the good priest had left him Cadsudal beckoned feebly to a friend who was watching by his bedside, and hoarsely whispered:

"Take down that priest's address. He has used language to me that I won't take from any man living. If—I—get—over—this—I—will—send—a—couple—of—friends—to—him—with—a—chal——"

And before he could finish the sentence, the veteran duellist was dead.

A volume that will bring tears to your eyes.—A volume of smoke.

A New York paper calls low necked dresses, fool dress—neat and expressive.

Two Kentucky hunters amused themselves by firing wads at each other, and there was fun in the sport until one forgot to take the ramrod out of his gun.

A letter-carrier, after walking nine miles, and tendering the same letter to a hundred and thirty-seven men, none of whom would receive it, sat down and wept. The letter was directed to Mr. Smith.

Mr. Lawrence Barrett is described as a very hard student. He has been such from early boyhood. He was found in an Indianapolis book shop one morning lately mousing about the shelves, and in the course of fifteen minutes he bought translations from the Greek, old play, history and biography. The book seller said that Barret never visited the city without carrying away from ten to twenty books, and he added:—"I never sold him a trashy novel or cheap book of any kind in my life."

### His Honor and Bijah.

He was a fair-minded citizen. He had helped to build up the town. He had enterprise, patriotism and ambition.

But he got tight.

He went to a party. It was a little party where a choice few were gathered to drink milk, eat pumpkin pie and talk over olden times. When this citizen started for home a million stars twinkled before his eyes. He lifted his feet as though he meant to step over a fence. He walked this way and that like Chinese writing, and soon after sitting down on the walk to rest himself a policeman seized him.

"Now, sir, was it milk, pop, wine, or whiskey that floored you?" demanded His Honor.

"It—I—I—"

"Don't tell a lie," warned the Court.

"Well, it was wine—old wine," admitted the prisoner.

"Then you looked upon the wine when it was red, did you?"

"It wasn't very red wine."

"But it gave you the spring halt did it not?"

"Kinder."

"And you wish you hadn't done it, don't you?"

"I do."

"And little parties on Grove street will have no entertainment for you hereafter?"

"No sir."

"You can go. When night sheds her sable mantle o'er the earth a married man should be at home to shut up his hencoop, tack down carpets, clean out the cellar, and be ready to yell his head off in case any chimney in the neighborhood burnsout."

HE DID IT WITH HIS LEG.

John Calcins was introduced to the Court and the audience in just as loud a voice as Bijah would have used to introduce the Prince of Wales.

John was lame. It was all he could do to get before the desk. If the distance had been a mile further he would have given up in dispair.

"Drunk?" said His Honor bluntly.

"No, I ain't, either," replied the prisoner.

"I mean you were drunk last night. I mean you were found in the rear of a tobacco ware house with old boxes, oyster cans, cast iron and tin scraps freezing on your hair."

"I deny that. When a man has a lame leg and falls down it isn't right to say that he is drunk."

"What ails your leg?"

"It's lame."

"What kind of lameness?"

"The lame kind."

"How long has that leg been lame?"

"Years and years."

"Is it in the joint?"

"It's all over the leg."

"Travelling down the alley at midnight, your legs gave out and you went to sleep. I see how it was."

"Yes, sir; that's how it was."

"That's how it was, and this is how it is; ninety days."

"It's all-fired curious that you send a man to jail in this town for being lame," exclaimed the prisoner.

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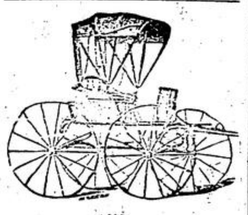

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