

Humorous Sketches.

OYSTERS IN ST. LOUIS.

HOW A LUMBERMAN "WORKED OUT" SIX "TINS" IN ONE DAY.
Job Givens is from the lumber region of Wisconsin, and until yesterday, says a St. Louis paper, had never eaten an oyster. It wasn't his fault, only his misfortune. Job belonged to the truly rural, and some how or other oysters had never come in Job Givens' way. For some reason Job had drifted to St. Louis to find something to do and by chance he came yesterday morning to where an oyster dealer was packing oysters in boxes for Christmas orders. Job stood looking on for about an hour, and then he said to the oysterman: "Say, captain, what have you got in them things?"

"Oysters, eh? I'd like to have one of 'em."
"One can?"
"No, one oyster. I've heard tell on 'em. 'Pears to me I'd like to have one mighty well."
The oysterman took Job Givens inside and picked out an oyster from the tureen. He turned it over on the fork, put his tongue to it, smelt it, and still he couldn't make up his mind exactly what to do with it.

"It's all right, I suppose?" said Job.
"Of course it's all right."
Job put it cautiously to his mouth, and finally into his mouth, and the moment it came off the fork it slid down his throat. "Well, I'm durned," said Job Givens, "if that ain't queer; the critter didn't give a fellow any show. Say, Major, can't you stand another?"

The oysterman forked out another to see the fun, and this one Job took good care to taste. He caught it in his teeth, and there he held it, afraid to let go. At length it went the way of all oysters, and Job said quietly:

"It's a big thing, to its looks anyhow, say, Colonel, how many's in one of them tins?"
"Four or five dozen."
"Is that so? Say, I ain't got any money, but I'd like to work out one of them tins."

The oyster man wanted help, so he said to Job: "Titch in, then, and earn your can."
After working a couple of hours, carrying up boxes and doing the rough work, Job stopped and asked him for his tin. It was five to him and then the trouble was to open it. He had about as clear an idea of doing this as he had of reading Hebrew.

At last they opened the can for him, and he sat in the collar pouring the oysters down his throat out of the can. They offered him a fork and a plate, but that process was too slow for Job wanted to know if he couldn't work out another tin, and the oysterman set him to work again. At the end of another two hours Job, who had worked enough for two men under the impression of eating oysters, asked if he had earned his tin; and he took his tin, sent in the collar and disposed of the second tin in about the same manner as the first. All he said was that they were "big things to their looks."

And still the oysterman kept on packing boxes and Job Givens kept on working like a steam engine, and at the expiration of every two hours taking his tin into the collar and pouring the oysters down his throat. At eleven o'clock last night Job had worked almost thirteen hours and had six cans of oysters stored away under his waistband. All that he said after every can was, "I tell you General," he had received the oysterman all the way up from Captain,—then's the biggest things to their looks that ever I fell in with."

There is a young lady live in town who is so indolent that she does nothing but sit and hold her hands, and when she gets tired of this, has a very accommodating beau who holds them for her.

A man in Hartford has stopped his newspaper because his name was printed in a list of advertised letters, and his wife, happening to see it first, went to get it for him, and found it was from a young lady, who complained that he didn't meet her at Worcester, as he promised.

"See," said a sorrowing wife, "how peaceful the cat and dog are." "Yes," said the petulant husband, "but just let them together and asked him for his tin. It was five to him and then the trouble was to open it. He had about as clear an idea of doing this as he had of reading Hebrew.

"Husband, when shall I get the ticket for our new bed?" "Any place, my dear, where you can get the tick."

What can a man have in his pocket when it is empty? A big hole.

A Memphis girl was married the other day, and immediately sold her piano, bought a sewing machine, and made her husband a suit of clothes and herself two calico dresses, and now fourteen young men are seeking the hand of her unmarried sister.

WAKE MONEY.—A good-looking Irishman stopping at a hotel to warm himself, inquired of the landlord—
"What is the news?"
The landlord, disposed to run upon him replied—
"They say the devil is dead."

"An' sure," says Pat, "hats news in-dad."

Shortly after, he went to the bar, laid down some coppers, and resumed his seat. The landlord always ready for a customer, asked him what he would take.

"Nothing at all," said Pat.
"Then why did you put down this money?"
"An' sure, sir, it's customary in our country, when a chap loses his daddly to give him a few coppers to help him pay for the wake."

"Do you go to school now, Joe?"
"Yes, sir; I had a fight to-day, too."
"You had? Which whipped?"
"Oh, I got whipped," he replied, with great frankness.

"Was the other boy bigger than you?"
"No, he was littler."
"Well, how came you to let a littler boy whip you?"
"Oh, you see, he was madder nor I was!"

Samuel, Samuel, beware, beware of the woman as reads no newspapers. Your father married a woman as read none, and you're the sad consequence. You're as bighearted as a horse. Hignorant people say it's throwing money away to take papers, and foolin' away time to read 'em."

Which is the oldest tree? The elder, of course.
Who is the oldest lunatic on record? Time out of mind.

What man carries everything before him? The waiter.

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