

Humorous.

An Irishman was once asked why he wore his stockings inside out. "Because there is a hole on the other side," he replied.

London policemen are to have cork heels. The cork is supposed to preserve their figure and to increase their popularity. - Phila. Bulletin.

"Doctor, how is a man to tell a mushroom from a toadstool?" "By eating it. If you live it is a mushroom; if you die, it is a toadstool."

"This world is all a fleeting show," said a priest to a culprit on the gallows. "Yes," was the prompt reply; "but if you have no objection, I'd rather see the show a little longer."

Ad Hams is the name of a Chinaman in Nevada. He is addicted to the flowing bowl and some days it is impossible to recognize him from his brother Jim Hams.

Mrs. Carr, of Quebec, banged herself with her fist against the corner's verdict was said to have been that the Carr was demolished by a misplaced switch.

Edith: "Oh, dear, I am so tired!" Loving husband: "What has fatigued you, my pippety pippety poppet?" Edith: "Oh, I have had to hold my parasol all the time I was in front."

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From fellow: "It was too bad to see that sick old man to prison for life, said a sympathizing author at the close of a trial. 'Yes, poor fellow,' said another; 'he won't live to serve out half of his sentence.'"

"Represent me in my portrait," said a gentleman to his painter, "with a book in my hand and reading aloud. Paint my servant also, in a corner where he could not be seen, but in such a manner that he may hear me when I call him in."

"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter heaven," is the interpretation which a cultured preacher gave to the scriptures.

Proudly observes the Detroit Ecce: "American genius is recognized the world over. The Japanese Government has bought a Rhode Island cider mill, and trying to grind itself in it."

"You must cultivate decision of character, and learn to say 'No,'" was the advice of his son. Soon afterward when the father told the son to chop wood, the boy said "No" with an emphasis that showed a remembrance of the lesson.

A Massachusetts manufacturer has been granted a patent right for a noiseless saw, which will be a great convenience to the lumberman, but dreadfully discouraging to the lumberjack, because he'll never hear a squeak till he's hit.

There is a new way of committing suicide introduced in England. A railway party at Hayward's Heath ate a whole newspaper and suffocated himself to death. He might have known he could not stand the press.

Up in Rutland, Vt., a man has just had a piece of window glass more than two inches long taken away from his eye, where it had been for eighteen years. It may be truly said that during the entire period he had never been able to see any thing.

An Arkansas coroner charged the jury that they were to ascertain whether the "man came to his death by accident, by incidence, or by the necessity." The jury returned "that he came to his death by incidence, the sword-knife having incidentally touched a vital part."

One of the Sunday school speakers recently spoke on Corinthians. He opened by stating boldly that we cannot all go to Corinth. The disappointment was so great that the members of the infant class were affected to tears.

This is the way a British journal complimented one of our American poets: "Alfred, say: 'As wild as the winds that tear the curled red hair in the air, is the song that I have never sung.' The man who knows a song like that, and nobly foregoes to sing it, is a credit to any country."

FELL A LONG DISTANCE-A sailor dropped out of the rigging of a ship of war on a regular voyage, and fell many days before the first lieutenant. "Watch," said the officer, as he gathered himself up, "where did you come from?" "And sure, I come from the north of Ireland, your honor."

A lively pupil at a seminary asked the preceptor for permission to drive out with a gentleman. "You know the regulations of the institution," was the answer. "Is he your father?" "No." "Are you engaged to him?" "No, but I expect to be before I get back." That answer carried the day.

An old colored preacher in this city was lecturing a youth of his fold about the sin of dancing, when the latter protested that the Bible plainly said: "There is a time to dance." "Yes, that is a time to dance," said the dark divine, "and it's when a boy gets a whippin' for going to ball."

The baby was doubled up by the cramps and yelling at the rate of a mile a minute, as the father and mother stood over the crib with the laudanum bottle between them. "No Maria," he said gently, but firmly "you pour it out; that child's growing so much like your mother that I can't trust myself."

A CANDIDATE-He was an applicant for the position of writing teacher in one of our public elementary schools. They gave him a copybook and asked him for a specimen of what he could do. He took up the pen and in a handwriting that had mistaken the direct road, wrote as follows: "Sorrow doesn't make me feel as good as green gooseberry."

Mr. Jeddiah Bullwinkle, of this city, has a piece of bark from a tree that grew on the farm of an uncle whose grandfather's brother-in-law started with General Jackson to the battle of New Orleans, but was detained by an attack of the cholera morbus, and he would send that to the centennial exposition, as he had any adequate assurance that he would erer get it back again.

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