When He Died

"Poor old Clamby!" sighed the sentimental-looking man with the thin side whiskers.

"What's wrong with him?" growled the double-chinned citizen with the shaggy eyebrows "He don't need any of your pity, does he?"

"Didn't you hear about it?" asked the sentimental-looking man. "He's dead. He died last Wednesday. Took pneumonia.

"He'd take anything he could get his hands on if the owner wasn't looking," said the double-chinned "Well, if he's dead, he citizen. probably is to be pitied.

'He's dead." remenstrated the sentimental-looking man.

"So you told me," said the double-chinned citizen. "It's a long lane that hasn't any turning. So he died a natural death, ch? I never expected it."

"Why?" "He took out an accident policy for a year less than nine months ago," replied the double-chinned

"He left quite a good deal of money, I heard," said the sentimenal-looking man.

"The first thime in his life," said the double-chinned man. "I don't see how he brought himself to do lt, at that. He must have lost consciousness at the last." "Tut, tut!" said the southmental-

looking man "When a man's dead we ought to forget his faults and remember his virtues. "I can't remember any that he

rad," said the double-chinned cititen, "and my memory is a protty good one." "I was at the funeral," said the

entimetnal-looking man.

"Did they give him a funeral?" sked the double-chinned citizen. "Of course they did."

"I didn't know. I thought peraps-I beg pardon. You were gong to say something about the sernon, weren't you? I think he was a good subject for a sermon. Anybody there besides you?"

'The family was there, naturally -and a few of his friends." "I thought he had always lived in

"hicago." "What do you mean?"

"Where did his friends come from, hen?" asked the double-chinned itizen. "I'm mighty sure he didn't save any here."

"Well, he wasn't a man who had nany intimates," admitted the sentinental-looking man. "I can't say I inew him intimately, myself

"If you had you wouldn't have atended the funeral," said the doublehinned citizen. "I knew him fairwell. About \$600 worth, excluwe of attorney's fere. Still, I don't tnow that I wouldn't have gone if I ad got an invitation, just to make ead, are you? You aren't just tellag me he is to please me?"

"I should hope that you wouldn't pel pleasure to hear of the death of ay fellow creature," said the sentiental-looking man, "I know you re not in earnest, though, when you ay things like that. He was a good usband.

"He had to be," said the doubletinned citizen. "You saw his idow, didn't you? A man would we to be good to her, unless he prerred the society of a trained nurse ad the hospital atmosphere. ey preached a funeral sermon! Did e minister mention his watch?"

"No," repleid the sentimentaloking man, wonderingly. "Why 'ould he?" "It's customary to speak of a

an's good works on such an occaon," said the double-chinned citin. "I supposed that he would have make the most of Ganby's." "You must have disliked the poor

a man with the thin whiskers. "What makes you think that?" ked the double-chinned citizen .bicago Daily News.

tlow," said the sentimental-look-

Doubly Useful Mucilage.

"If you make your own muclage heaping tenspoonful of gum able to an ordinary mucilage bota gives it a cheaper rate than that ought ready made), you can disense with court plasters, liquid or herwise, except where an intiseptic necessary," says Women's Home empanion. 'Ordinary cuts can be sted with it quite as effectively as th the patent preparation. Two ats thoroughly dried will stand the olication of water better than anying but what the adhesive plaster ctors use.

With Thanks.

John Budd was a most sedate, pree and altogether exemplary young in. When he wooed and won Sua Smiley, the belle of the village, erybody rejoiced at John's good rtune. However, he bore his trioph with modesty and decorum unthe day of the wedding. Then for awful moment, his air of aplomb fled him. When the officiating ergyman asked, "Will you, John, ke this woman to be thy wedded ife?" John responded, blushingly, fes, please,"

Personally Responsible. "That large man thinks himself a cetty important personage in this ace, doesn't he?" asked the strang-"Why, if you tell him we're havfine weather here, he swells up at he thought he made it."

BOY HUSBAND'S STRANGE TALE HINTS AT TRACE OF DARWIN'S APE IN US Into His Veins and Made Him a Cripple for Life. Denver, Col .- O. C. Rogers offered

a novel plea in answer to a charge

of non-support made by his wife, Bar-

bara M. Rogers, in court here. He

said that Mrs. Rogers had blood from

a diseased old man injected into his

views, which nearly caused his imme-

diste death and has made him a crip-

ple for life. Thus prevented from

performing manual labor, he pleads

that his wife cannot compel him to

Rogers, who is a young man, says

that he married Mrs. Rogers in Chi-

cago while he was a mere boy and

when she was already the mother of

"I was inveigled into the marriage

by the wiles of a woman old enough

to be my mother," said Rogers in

court. "It was my first experience

with a woman, and she easily threw

the net about me. But after we were

married she tired of my youth and

vivacity and attempted to reduce me

to the state of descrepitude which

she had reached. She got the ald of

a quack doctor who was attending an

old man afflicted with rheumatism

and a loathsome disease. Under the

pretext that he wished to analyze the

some of it from his veins. This he

of Sir Curzon Wyllie.

trial. When he was formally asked

Madar Lal Dhinagel.

whether he pleaded guilty or not guil-

murder. I plead not guilty."

time. That is all I have to say."

MONKEY'S COARSE WORK.

Breaks Loose, Causing a Stampede.

the taunts of the players, "Henry,"

the big monkey mascot of the New

Orleans team, broke from his pen be-

bind the home players' bench at Peli-

can Park, climbed into the grand

stand, and created a stampede and

stopped the game between New Or-

leans and Mobile in the seventh in-

ning for several minutes. The Mo-

bile players were teasing "Henry."

Lunging at one of them, he broke his

leash, chased the players from his vi-

cinity and bounded into the grand

stand. The spectators threw programs

and pop bottles at him. Many became

frightened and started for the exits

and several were knocked down. The

monkey jumped out in the field and

the umpire called the game. The ani-

mal was captured after a few minutes

Black Man Turned White.

Rochester, N. Y .- Jacob Thomas, 8

charkable colored man, died recent-

y in Le Roy. Thomas's color in the

ust twelve years changed from the

darkest hue of the negro to white, so

much so that he would be passed in

and playing was resumed.

the streets as a white man.

New Orleans, La.-Infuriated by

ty, he replied:

saluted.

blood of the aged invalid he drew

five children by a former husband.

support her.

ers continued:

ed a jury trial.

labor with that hand?

lasted only an hour.

If We Come from Perfect Man We Have Degenerated A Lot, Says Schurman

OUR BRUTISH STRAIN IS EVIDENT

Cornell's President Criticises American Constitution in Referring to the Regulation of Divorce - Great Change in Religious Thought.

New York City.-Whether we came ip from the ape, as Darwin reasoned, or degenerated from perfect man, as Milton held, President J. G. Schurman of Cornell University, in addressing the Society for Ethical Culture in Carnegie Hall, said it is certain there is something radically evil in us, and it is the business of modern effort to overcome it.

President Schurman spoke on "The Development of Religious Thought. He confined himself to the period from Milton to the time of Darwin, whose centenary will be celebrated put into a hypodermic syringe and next month. The influence of these while I slept the quack injected the men on religious thought was the done into my arm," then exhibiting a basis of his address.

President Schurman spoke of Milhand that was withered and an arm that showed the marks of disease Rogton's championship of religious liberty and the freedom of religious thought. "I came near to losing my life. As Milton was, he said, its greatest advoit is, I am unable to perform manual cate and the aspirations which he had in that directics, were similar to the Rogers is related to prominent Den. achievements and possessions which ver professional men. He has demandwe enjoy to-day. It was not alone in the British Isles that the effect of Milton's advocacy was felt but it had DRAMATIC TRIAL OF DHINAGRI, a great influence in this country.

"I am the last man in the world," Hindu Fanatic Sentenced for Murder said the speaker, "to allude to the regulation of divorce as a bright feat-London.-Madar Lal Dhinagri, the ure of the American Constitution. It Hindu fanatic who assassinated Lieuis a shame and a danger in the extenant-Colonel Sir William Curzon treme in which is now operated, but Wyllie during a reception to Hindu the other extreme would be just as students that was being held in the bad. Milton advocated that under Imperial Institute, was sentenced to certain circumstances divorce should death at the Old Bailey. The trial be allowed. We in America are enjoying to-day some of the best politi-Dhinagri was calm throughout the cal principles which he favored. He was away head of his time in the advocacy of many of the things which we possess, and among them are some of the best things in the world.

"Milton had definite theology which differs from the. of most thoughtful men of to-day. His philosophy was based upon the Ptolemaic theory of astronomy, while the Copernican system, with the sun as the centre of the universe, is the accepted theory to-day. With the Ptolemain theory it was easy for Milton to picture heaven and hell as above and beneath the earth but that pictorial represenntation in 'Paradise Lost' would not anwer to-day. So Milton's philosophy must be kept in mind in reading his work."

In referring to the change in religious thought President Schurman said: "In the eighteenth century there was a great earthquake in Lisbon. Not only was the earth torn asunder and thousands killed but the religious thought of the day was most profoundly stirred. Men of the greatest nfluence began to ask how the world could be governed by a beneficent Providence if thousands of lives were illowed ruthlessly to be swept away. Much was written at the time. The recent earthquake in Italy awakened wide-spread feelings of horror at the loss of life and sympathy and kindness toward he afflicted but I never heard a voice raising the question which was raised when the Lisbon earthquake occurred. The thoughtful men of to-day and even the masses have come to realize the Copernican astronomy that the earth is not the centre of the universe but only an

"According to my view it was not insignificant planet, "The theory of Milton was that man As the Lord Chief Justice finished was created perfect; that he fell and pronouncing sentence the prisoner needed redemption. So long as men drew himself up in military style and believed our first parents were created perfect this theology would He said: "I thank you, my Lord. stand but the whole scheme becomes am proud to have the honor of layirrational and even superfluous if the ing down my humble life for my counfirst being was not perfect, but akin try. Your sentence of death is perto the barbarian. I do not believe feetly illegal. You are all powerful that those who will join in the celeand can do what you like; but rebration o. the centenary of Darwin, member, we will have the power some next month, will contend that he has established the hypothesis that man and the ape sprang from a common origin, but all history and tradition tend to show that man's history is one Victous Simian Baseball Mascot

of steady ascent "As for myself I don't care if I came from savages or half brutes or from a perfect man. The important point is what I have arrived at, not what they were, but what I am. As the Puritan idea emphasizes the need of redemption, so now it is recognized by all, though we have our high ideals. that we are sinful creatures and we have a brutish strain in us. The problem is to get rid of this brutish inheritance. No demenstration of science will deny we are sinful. There is something radically evil in us, and it is the business of modern effort to

overcome it. "Notwithstanging the great advance in religious thought and the discoveries of science, the great essential truths remain. Though the Bible is not regarded as inspired in every line and word, its value remains, and the old precept to fear God and keep His commandments still holds good.

Smoke Costs Chicago \$50,000,000. Chicago. Chicago is the smoklest city in the world. The Smoke Inspector says so. The annual loss to manufactured articles is said to be \$50, 000,000.

IMM. DIBARETTE IS POPULIE

But the Demon Rum Has Been Giron an Awful Twist by the Problès.

Washington, D. C .- Now lot the thied indies of England and the Continent who periodically visit our shores to decry our lack of progress for refusing to let the fair sex indulge in the fragrant weed in public places, read this and take courage. For, while there has been an known increase in the number of men smokers in these United States during the twelve months just passed, there has been an increase in the number of cigarettes consumed by just 703,105,-



065. Obviously our women folk are responsible. And with the suffragette becoming daily a more and more frequent spectacle in our midst, who will stand up and say the ban on feminine smokers in public places can long be continued?

Of course, no such reason as this for the big increase in the consumption of the deadly "coffin nail" is ad-



vanced by Acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue Robert Williams in his report to Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. He shows that the increase in the cigarette consumption is offset by a decrease in the number of cigars smoked during the last six months of 1908. We held back on cigars in this period, most of us, and the resulting figures showed the decrease to be 152,185,830 under the figures for 1907. Counting five cigarettes equal to one cigar the increase in the number of the short smokes just about evens up the decrease in the number of the cigars.

So far as Uncle Sam is concerned, though, our switching from the expensive Havana to the cheaper "pill" is a good thing for the Government, because its increased revenue totalled more than \$2,000,000 in this same per-

What the temperance wave that has been sweeping over all the country did to the Treasury coffers is almost sad enough to drive supporters of a lower tax rate to drink. For the Prohibitionists succeeded in washing away just \$7,641,978.12 of the national revenue. While beer, ales, porter and lager beer were shunned by millions of glasses more than in the previous year, the biggest falling off was in whiskey, the loss in that line of liquid sunshine being \$5,509,831.15. Carrie Nation, please write.

CRIPPLE CURSED TRIO.

Said Pulliam, Thaw and Dr. Bingaman Would not Die Natural Deaths.

Pittsburg,-A story of the curse of a cripple came out here in connection with the suicide of President Harry C. Pulliam of the National League. Pullium, with Harry K. Thaw and Dr. Walter S. Bingaman, was standing in front of a hotel in Pittsburg four years ago, and the three laughed loudly at some joke just as a cripple in passing slipped and fell on the pavement. The cripple, thinking the trio were laughing at his fall, asserted dramatically that none of the three would die a natural death.

Pulliam never forgot this, and friends assert he later spent much time and money trying to convince the cripple that he was mistaken. A year later Thaw killed Stanford White. Recently Dr. Bingaman was sent to Dixmont Insane Asylum. Now Pulliam is dead by his own hand.

SHORT SERMONS FOR PROFIT.

Clergyman Gets Valuable Farm Because He Preached to the Point.

Pine Village, Ind.—Burgoyne Davis, wealthy farmer and member of the Methodist Church in which the Rev. J. M. Williams preached for four years, made the minister a present of sixty acres of land, valued at \$125 an acre.

The Rev. Mr. Williams preached very short sermons, and it was because of this fact that Mr. Davis and his wife took such a liking to him. The deed says that the consideration for the land is the deference that Mr. Williams paid to the wishes of his parishioners by making his sermons short and to the point.

Dies as He Kneels in Prayer. Rochester, N. Y .- Edwin Coney, aged seventy-four, of Riga, dropped dead just as he knelt to lead the South Chili Methodist Sunday school in prayer.

IN A BAD WAY.

Patient Saw a Sight that Made Him Doubt the Doctor.

A doctor came up to a patient in an insane asylum, slapped him on the back and said: "Well, old man, you're all right. You can run along and write your folks that you'll be back home in two weeks as good as new."

The patient went off gayly to write his letter. He had it finished and sealed, but when he was sicking the stamp it slipped through his fingers to the floor, lighted on the back of a cockronch that was passing and stuck. The patient hadn't seen the cockroach. What he did see was his escaped postage stamp zig-zagging aimlessly across the floor to the baseboard, wavering up over the baseboard and following a crooked track up the wall and across the ceiling. In depressed silence he tore up the letter that he had just written and dropped the pieces on the floor.

"Two weeks! Not on your life!" he said. "I won't be out of here in three years."

Sad is Sad.

A mother, who was rather fond of the cheaper ten, twenty, thirty cent melodrama, one afternoon took her young daughter, who had grown to consider herself above that sort of thing.

The daughter was bored, but the mother was greatly interested, and finally, when the heroine had got into seemingly inextricable position, broke down and sobbed heartily.

"Mother, I wouldn't cry here," whisocted the daughter significantly, accer ing the last word.

"Let me alone," replied the other hysterically. "If a thing is sad, it's sad; I can't cry according to price."

Marriage-Before and After.

Booth Tarkington has written some exceptionally clever fiction. More recently he has been in the limelight in the role of a politician. Not long ago he was the guest of some of his friends at a theatrical supper. In speaking to his neighbor at the table on the subject of marriage, Mr. Tarkington said a number of epigrammical truths about this important subject. One was:

"Before a girl marries a man, her opinion of him is much the same as that held by her mother. After the honeymoon is over, the young lady generally comes over to the viewpoint her father had."

Spare the Horses.

A cavalry sergeant at a Western post had endured the stupidity of a recruit for many days. One day the "rookie" was thus greeted when he had violated the sergeant's orders:

"Say, don't ever come at the horses from behind without speakin' to them!" exclaimed the sergeant. They'll be kicking in that thick head of yours! Then the first thing you know there'll be a lot o' lame horses in the squadron."

KEEN EDGED SARCASM.



Riggs-How did the quarrel begin? Roggs-The knife grinder spoke sharply and the butcher made a cutting reply.

Don't Complain.

Don't kick because you have to button your wife's waist. Be glad your wife has a waist and doubly glad you have a wife to button a waist for. Some men's wives have no waists to button. Some men's wives' waists have no buttons on to button. Some men's wives who have waists with buttons on to button don't care a continental whether they are buttoned or not. Some men don't have any wives with buttons on to button any more than a rabbit.

"How is your son James getting on at college, Mr. Boggs?" asked the Par-

"Fine," said Boggs. "He's getting more business-like every day." "I am glad to hear that," said the

Clergyman. "How does the lad show "Well," said Boggs, "when he first went up and wanted money, he used

to write asking for it. Now he draws on me at sight." The Cause.

"What caused the separation?" "Oh, he thought as much of himcelf as she thought of herself and as title of her as she did of him."

The Ideal.

"Is your daughter learning to play the piano by note?" "Certainly not," answered Mr. Cumon severely. "We always pay cash."

A More Important Question. "Now a big Chicago firm complains that its girls will not stay single." "Well, will they stay married?"

Value in the Farm.

Ex-Secretary Shaw Tells Why Some Lands Are Worth \$26 an Acre, and Others \$400.

At the Williams' Grove Grangers' pienie last week ex-Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw was one of the speakers.

Among other things he said: "The American people are said to have been wasteful of their resources. They have wasted their coal, they have devastated their forests, they have squandered their soil. When you go to Washington again, call at the Bureau of Soils and you will there be shown localities where worn out and non-productive land is purchasable at \$25 per acre, which is identical in natural constituents with the lands around Lancaster, this State, which

sell for, and are cheap, at three or

four hundred dollars per acre. The difference is not in the soil but in the husbandry. In one instance they have been neglected. incessantly cropped, without thanks or reward, until, in discouragement, they have given up the battle. In the other instance, and under probably the best husbandry in the United States, crops have been rotated and liberal rewards have been returned until the lands have lavished their responses to kind and generous treatment to the enrichment of the owner.

We have little unoccupied area left and are facing the certainty of a population of several bundred millions. He who can transmit to his children love for agriculture, as a vocation, and who can leave them a reasonable inheritance of productive farm lands, will have done more for his family than he who bequeaths a fortune, even as we now measure fortunes, plus pleasure-seeking desires.

Those who rise in the morning to the performance of daily tasks, seldom figure in Divorce Courts, either as parties litigant or as corespondents. The unhappy, discontented, restless, unstable and uncertain, are those who have no tasks. The happy and contented men of earth are toilers, not idlers.

The Census Law.

On account of many false returns sent in by enumerators of a western city ten years ago in an effort to bolster up the population, the present act fixes a severe penalty for a census taker who violates his oath. If he shall wilfully and knowingly make a false certificate of a fictitious return he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding \$2,000 and imprisoned not exceeding five years. The bill also makes provision for those who may handicap the census taking work by retusing to answer questions. Any person who ignores the questions propounded to him by an enumerator is liable to a fine of \$100 and the same penalty is prescribed for those who shall wilfully give answers that are false.

... Uncle Sam as a Showman.

Moving pictures for the farmers is the latest development in the exploitation of the work of the Department of Agriculture. The success which has attended the extension of the nickelodeon business throughout the country has induced Uncle Sam to embark in the enterprise on his account. A score or more of films have been sent to Minneapolis to be exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair this week. The pictures show plowing, sowing, cultivating and harvesting of the cereal crops, the manufacture of butter and cheese, fruit culture and other branches of modern agriculture.

If successful at Minneapolis the exhibition will be repeated at other State fairs throughout the country under the auspices of the department. Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Willet M. Hayes will superintend the initial exhibition. and will have with him several assistants from the department who will operate the machine and explain the pictures.

After the Peddlers.

A raid is being made on peddlers and hawkers of goods in Shenandoah and in a short time that town will be free from these illegal traders, who are crippling the business of the legitimate dealers. It is said that the town has been infested with peddlers from strange cities who bring goods that are purchased at fire or bankruptcy sales to dispose of to the people there. A systematic raid will now be waged on peddlers, so that the town will be freed from those who are ruining the business of the legitimate merchants. Here is a tip for Blooms-burg. The legitimate business man should be protected from hawkers and peddlers.