

Very Prudent Young Man.

It was a beautiful night in June, and as the stars were keeping their silent vigil the lover hung upon the gate.

A young lady was wheeling her married sister's twin babies along the street, and a close observer could have noticed her halt for a second, appear embarrassed, while a crimson flush mounted her cheeks.

PATERFAMILIAS, who is perusing the morning paper at breakfast, meets with an item that excites his utmost surprise. He says to materfamilias:

Chiefly from hens, I would suppose. The head of the house resumes his reading with a mental oburgation to the literalness of some people.

EVERY young lady should learn to make her own dresses. There may come a time after marriage when she will need to make doll babies' dresses, and then her former experience will come into good service.

How do you pronounce stingy? as the teacher of the dance of the class. The boy replied; 'It depends a great deal whether the word refers to a person or bee.'

WE heard of a man the other day who was said to be mean enough to steal a coat of paint. But he can't equal the party who tried to steal a dog's pants.

THE proper question to ask a young woman who is about to elope, is:—'Does your mother know your route?'

THIS is the time of the year when the pretty picnic girl with the trim ankle and neat boots calls out "snakes!"

A Lost Chance.

"Not five minutes before that electric light tower fell the other evening," said one citizen to another, yesterday, "I passed it with my wife. A little later one or both of us would have been killed."

COLONEL McLEOD, although not a bad man at heart, uses very rough language in his intercourse with his family. On returning to his home from his place of business a few days ago he found his wife very much excited over the outrageous conduct of a tramp, who being dissatisfied with the food given him by Mrs. McLeod, had abused her in a most outrageous manner.

"Johnny," said Colonel McLeod to his ten-year-old son, "when you heard that cowardly scoundrel abusing your mother why didn't you run to the store quick and let me know? Didn't you hear?"

A TRAVELER just from the south reports the following: On one of the southern railroads there is a station called "Sawyer." Lately a newly married couple boarded the train and was very loving indeed. The brakesman noticed the gushing groom kiss the bride about 200 times, but maintained a serene quiet. Finally the station in question was reached, and just after the whistle was sounded the groom gave the bride a rousing smack on the lips, the brakesman opened the door and shouted:

"Why, over one hundred and fifty people were poisoned from a single freezer." "It must have been terrible. Still George, dear, there is a possibility of our escaping with our lives, and if we do die"—here the heroic girl gave him a look of love unutterable—"we will die together."

A YOUNG gentleman from Higbee, while calling on his girl asked her for her hand and heart and was accepted.

He told her that he had something on his mind for a long time, but he was afraid she would get mad. She wanted to know what it was then, and he made her promise not to get mad.

"What is your doggie's name Daisy?" "Damn." "Why, you wicked child, where did you hear that word?" "Why, Marion, that's what my Uncle George says—'Damn the dog!'"

MISS FLORENCE MARRYAT is coming here from England to lecture upon the question: "What shall we do with our men?" You make a sad mistake, Florrie, if you think our average American girl isn't pretty well posted on that subject already.

Sweet innocence—"Ma, is it wrong to kiss a man you are not engaged to?" "Ma—Certainly, my dear, very wrong." "There now, that's just what I told them."

FIRST schoolgirl with sudden interest: "Oh, I forgot to tell you that I was engaged." "Really?" "Oh, yes, and I'm so happy I don't know what to do."

A YOUNG lady from New York, who is visiting friends in Wethersfield, saw a yoke of oxen go by the house, and said: "Oh, how I would like a good, fresh drink of milk from those cows!"

"I HEAR that Blaine will get some of the Irish vote. How is that Paddy?" "He'll not get moine. I'd niver vote fur a man that wint back on a Mulligan."

"I say, Jimmy, yer at very hard luck, an' I feel sorry for yer," said a small boy to a companion. "Wot's the matter? I hain't got no hard luck."

"The clover crop depends upon old maids," observed a scientist to a Sun man. "Bush and nonsense. What have old maids got to do with the clover crop?"

"Why, old maids keeps cats, cats eat field mice, field mice destroy the larvae of the bumble bee, and the bumble bee is the only insect that fertilize and sustain the clover."

"Nonsense," said a neighbor. "The country is prosperous; money is plentiful." "Money plentiful!" exclaimed the other, "why, I don't believe there is a dollar in New York city. Nobody seems to have a cent."

"What makes you think so?" "I have been soliciting subscriptions for the Bartholdi Pedestal Fund."

"Hi! Mikey! Let's play broker. You give me your cigar; that'll be the capital, and I'll blow you the smoke; that'll be the interest."

"SIXTEEN feet make a rod," says the old arithmetics. But then the Chicago girl did not figure so largely in literature then as she does now.

An Austin boy kept on throwing his cap into the air and catching it after his father had told him to keep his cap on his head. Finally his father lost patience. After a brief, but painful interview the parent threw the strap and asked: "Now do you know where your cap should have been?"

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