

Hiram Greene's Experience as an Editor.

"Whoa! Whoa!" I exclaimed, rushing into the kitchen door, one morning last spring, and addressing Mrs. Greene. "You've been invited to edit the Steenboro Fish Horn. Fame, madame, awaits your talented pen."

"Talented Lunkhead, you mean," said this interesting female; "you'd look sweet editing a noose paper. So would H. Ward Beecher dancing 'hoop' along with Dan Bryant. Don't make a fool of yourself if you know anything, Hiram, and respect your family."

"The above conversation was the prelude to my first and last experience in editing a country paper. The editor of the 'Fish Horn' went in a pleasant trip to plant a rich nut who had died and left him some cash."

"Query.—Wonder how a farmer in this town, whose name we will not give, likes burnin' wood from his barn's woodpile?"

"I would advise a certain toothless old maid to leave off paintin' her cheeks and stop slanderin' her nabors. If she does so, she will be a more interestin' female to have around."

"Stop Thief!—If that Deekin, who trades at one of our grocery stores, and helps while buyin' ten cents worth of tobacco, will divide his one cent worth of pipes with the square thing by the man who has kept him in tobacco for several years."

"These articles were like the bustin' of a lot of bombshells in this usually quiet town. The farmers met at Simmises store. After tryin' on the garment about steeln wood, it was hard to decide who the coat fit the best, but each one made up his mind to pay off an old grudge and 'pitch into the last Gustave.'"

—China is a blissful region to reside in; there are no lawyers there. —Mental abstraction—stealing the ideas of others and fancying them your own. —If a man loses his breath it is of no use to run for it. He can catch it quicker by standing still.

—Another tunnel under Lake Michigan is to be built by the Chicago Board of Public Works. It will be built within fifty feet of the present tunnel, and will extend two miles out under the lake. The internal diameter of the tunnel will be seven feet two inches from top to bottom, and just seven feet from side to side.

—Kind words are the brightest flowers of earth's existence; they make a very paradise of the humblest home that the world can show. Use them, and especially round the fireside circle. They are jewels beyond price, and more precious to heal the wounded heart, and make the weighed-down spirit glad, than all the other blessings the world can give.

—The editor of the Williamian Journal has received the following epistle for advocating town assistance to the Air Line Railroad: "Windham, Conn., Sept. 18, 1870.—Editor: I want my paper stopped if you stand it to have you telling me how to spend my money nor I won't. When you told folks to vote yes you overstepped your orthodoxy. As a public journalist I hold you no rote to advocate what you do. Napolin you say is a grate man and I say he ain't, and your pinion ain't no better an mine. Railroad is a humbug. Taxes is burden and yure a fule. Stop my paper I'll never pay a nother cent. Your etc."

—There is a man out in the West, so sharp that when shelling corn a kernel falls to a woodpile, and he removed several on cords of wood to find it. A neighbor standing near dropped a kernel near where the searcher was looking, but when he found it he said: "You can't fool me with that small kernel; the one I lost was a large one."

—Last year invitations to weddings in New York were given out in this style: "The mother of the bride or some one to represent her, carried around the invitations in a coach, and these were delivered by a servant at the door on a silver salver. This year the young lady to be married takes the coach in person, attended by her bridesmaids, who deliver the cards at the door."

—A subscription was lately open to purchase a crown for the King of Italy, who, it appears, has no such article in the royal wardrobe. The list was soon full, when the King sent for the chief mowers in the matter, and thanking them in right knightly fashion, begged them to employ the money to found an asylum for the blind in Florence, which will be done. "The King's Crown" is the appropriate name suggested for the building.

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