of catching his respectable, high mind-ed young friend, the old fellow got

ed young friend, the old fellow got nabbed himself. In fact he got caught in his own trap. Wasn't it—" "Get out of my house, you young scamp—out with you, you repro-bate?" 'But, uncle, when I come back, mayn't I bring Lizzie with me, and see and participate in your new and deep felicity?

'If you'll be decent, you daring young villain, you may bring the queen of slatterns herself; but beware dueen of statterns hersen; but beware how you offend me! I cku't bear everything—and I won't! I won't put up with it! I'll—I'll—kiek you out of doors, you ungrateful traitor !' After this effervescence, Uncle Jerry's soul settled down to a clear,

placid calm, and when Lizzie Brown finally appeared before him, he actu-ally kissed her, and said she was just the girl for his rascally nephew.

And, in a few weeks thereafter. Uncle Jerry had a wedding party. He was married first, and then sat

down and saw Jack married. 'There,' said the happy old fellow, after the thing was all over, as he approached his nephew and handed him a paper, 'there is something to make up for the loss you have sustained in letting me rob you of the best woman in the world.'

Jack opened the missive and read it with tears in his eyes, for it was a certified check for twenty five thousand dollars, with a little note attach-ed, saying that if he behaved himself he might at some future time have more.

Scene at a Brooklyn wedding breakfast. Company all seated about the table. A pause in the general conversation. Happy husband to his wife's seven-year-old sister at the oth-er end of the room: "Well, Julia, you have a new brother now." Julia: "Yes, but mother snid to papa the other day that she was atraid you would never amount to much, but that it seemed to be Sarah's last chance." Intense silence for a mochance." Intense silence for a moment, followed by a rapid play of knives and forks.

A young gentleman got neatly out out of a fine scrape with his intended. She taxed him with baving kissed two young ladies at some party at which she was not present. He owned up to it, but said that their united ages only made twenty-one. The simple-minded girl thought of ten and eleven, so laughed off her pout. He did not explain that one was nineteen and the other two years of age. Wasn't it artful?

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