

Was He.
 A man forty years old, and as long as a rail, went into the bank recently to get the cash on a thirteen dollar check drawn by a party living in Nankin township.
 "You will have to be identified," said the cashier, as he looked at the check.
 "I'm the man," was the reply.
 "But I don't know that you are."
 "But I do."
 "You must bring some one here who knows you."
 "Don't I know myself?" exclaimed the check-tender.
 "But I must know you. You may be Tom Jones, for all I know."
 "You must be a concerned fool to think I think I'm some one else!" growled the man in response.
 "You must be identified," repeated the cashier.
 "That's my name, I tell ye, and this is me, and if this bank gets me riled I'll kick the bull crowd of yer over behind that railing."
 The cashier wouldn't pay, and the man couldn't find any one who knew him, and at noon he was waiting for that fellow who sassed him to come out.

A poor Irish cripple sat begging at a bridge, urging his appeal to the charity of passengers with the eager and versatile eloquence of his country. A gentleman and lady—young, gay, and handsome, with that peculiar look of gratified and complacent consciousness which indicates the first few weeks of married life—crossed the bridge. They regarded not the petition of the beggar, so, just as they passed him, he exclaimed, "May the blessings of the Lord, which bring love, and joy, and wealth, and a fine family, follow you all the days of your life." A pause—the couple passed heedlessly on, and the beggar added, "and never overtake you."
 How the term "Mollie Maguire," originated, may be of some interest to our readers. Says an exchange: Some fifty years ago, or more, a poor old woman in Ireland had her cottage pulled down over her head by her landlord. Her name was Mollie Maguire, and she died of grief and exposure. Thereupon her son and some neighbor lads formed themselves into a secret band, and vowed and took fierce revenge on Irish landlords in general. The band spread rapidly, and they called themselves the "Mollie Maguire," and Irish coal miners brought the name to America.

A lady who consulted her physician almost daily, about some imaginary ailment, and who liked to talk with him on a great many subjects, because he was a witty and charming man, on one occasion asked to be excused an interview. The doctor, thinking the servant misunderstood the message, requested his arrival to be announced a second time, but the lady said that "she was grieved at being obliged to deny herself the pleasure of his company, because she was very ill."
 An Ohio exchange says: Hon. C. S. Smart, State School Commissioner, thinks it a very difficult thing for five or six persons of intelligence and truthful intentions to tell substantially the same story about a street incident witnessed by all of them. He says telling the truth is an art; that there are very few persons who can do except newspaper men. Long practice enables them to hit the mark almost every time!

A grave magistrate was sitting at the table between two coxcombs, who took it into their heads to attempt making him the butt of their ridicule. "Gentlemen," said he, "I plainly perceive your design; but to save unnecessary trouble, I must beg leave to give you a just idea of my character. Be it known to you that I am not precisely a fool, nor altogether a knave, but (as you see) something between both."
 "What is the reason that men never kiss each other, while the ladies waste a world of kisses on feminine faces?" said a very foolish gentleman to a lovely girl the other day. The young lady answered: "Because the men always have something better to kiss, and the women have not." The gentleman "saw it immediately."

Now does the wily bank director find a deficit of ten thousand dollars, and exclaim: "This comes of supporting men in idleness." Ordered that there be a reduction of ten per cent. on the salary of the night watchman.
 Master Jack (inquiringly)—"Why don't baby eat buns, auntie?" Aunt Singleton—"Because she has no teeth, dear." Master Jack (audibly)—"then why can't you lend her yours, auntie? You ain't always using 'em."

A special dispatch to the Paris papers reports that the Czar is ill. Indigestion probably; a little too much turkey.
 Katydid have raised their voices and the music of the air is like unto a woman sharpening a case-knife on a creak.
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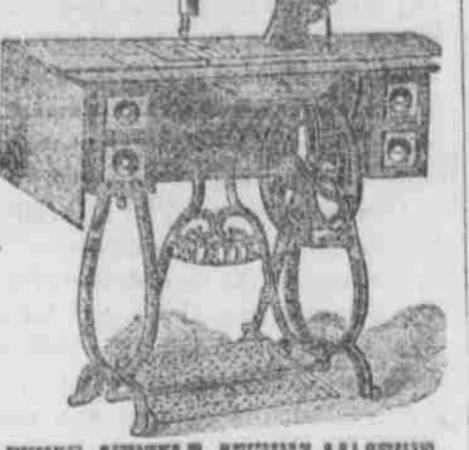
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