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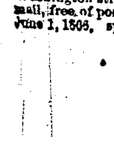

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Biddy's Troubles.

It's true for me, Katy, that I niver seed the like of this people afore. It's a sorry time I've been having since coming to this house, twelve months agone this week Thursday. Yer know that my fourth cousin, Ann Macarthy, ricomminded me to Mrs. Whaler, and told the lady that I knew all about ginteel housework and the likes; while, at the same time, I had niver seed inter an American lady's kitchen. So she engaged me, and my heart was jist ready to burst with grief for the story that Ann had told, for Mrs. Whaler was a swate spoken lady, and niver looked cross like in her life; that I knew by her kind, smooth face. Well, jist the first thing she told me to do, after I had dressed the children, was to dress the ducks for dinner. I stood looking at the lady a couple of minutes before I could make out any meaning at all to her words. Thin I went searching after clothes, for the ducks; aud such a time as I had, to be sure. High and low I went, till at last my mistress axed me what for I was looking; and I told her the clothes for the ducks, to be sure. Och, and how she screamed and laughed, till my face was rid as the sun wid shame, and she showed me in her kind, swate way what her meaning was. Then she told me how to air the beds, and it was a proud day for me, indade, when I could go up chamber alone and clare up the rooms. One day Mrs. Whaler said to me—

"Biddy, an' yer may give the baby an airing, if yees will."

What should I do—and it is thrue, what I am saying this blessed minute—but go up stairs wid the child, and shake it and thin howld it by its arms out of the chamber winder. Such a scraming and kicking as that baby give!—but I hild on to it the harder. Ivery man and woman in the street looked up, at me, and at last my misthress came leaping up the stairs to see what for was so much noise.

"I am thrying to air the baby," I said, but it kicks and screams dridfully."

There was company down below, and when Mrs Whaler told them what I had been afther doing, I thought they would scare the folks in the strato wid their screameing.

And then I was told that I must do up Mr. Whaler's linen sharts one day, when my misthress was out shopping. She told me repeatedly to do them up nice, for my master was goin' away, so I takes the sharts and did them all up in some paper that I was afther bringing from the old country wid me, and tied some bright pink ribbon about the bundle.

"Where are the sharts, Biddy?" axed Mrs. Whaler, when she comed home.

"I have been atther doin' them up in a quair nice way," I said, bringin' her the bundle.

"Will you iver be done wid yer graceness?" she asked, with a loud scrame

I can't for the life of me be telling what their talking manes. At home, we call the likes of this work fine starching—and a deal of it I have done too. Not long ago, Mrs. Whaler was taching me to make bread, she told me to wash my hands in the wash-dish before putting them into the dough Thin whin I washed the dish-cloth in the same dish, wid clane water, I got a bit of scolding, and my misthress said it was not nate to be doin' so. I can't tell, of a truth I can't, why the dish I washed my hands in, when I was just putting them in the bread, was not clane enough for the dish-cloth that was only nare the dishes. Och! and may the blessed vargin bity me, for I never'll be cured of my grateness.

THE PRINTER'S CHALLENGE.—A week or two ago we published the challence made by George A. Barber, of Detroit, in which he proposed a trial of speed at case, for from $2,000 to $5,000, with any printer who could plank up a like sum. No doubt Barber will withdraw his challenge without delay, as a cotemporary in Posey county, Indiana, has a checkmate for the Detroit King, in the following:

"We have a compositor in this office, the friction of whose movements over the type in his stick fuses them solid like stereotype plate. The only way to prevent this is to have his case submerged in water, and the rapidity of his motions keeps the water boiling and bubbling so that eggs have frequently been boiled in the space box. Pipes lead from the bottom of his case to a boiler in the press-room, and the steam generated by our fast compositor's motions runs the power-press. In one day he set so much type that it took all hands, from editor to devil, two weeks to read the proof, and it wasn't his good day for for setting type, either."

George can pack his stick and travel to Posey county, if he has in him the stuff of which martyrs are made. Two hemispheres will breathlessly await the result, which will we trurt, in consideration of the terrible suspense, be announced at the earliest moment. We are ready.

What is the difference between a wealthy toper and a skilful miner? One turns his gold into quarts and the other turns his quartz into gold.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

SOME WISE, BUT MOSTLY OTHERWISE.

If, according to Sam Weller, a *soiree* be a leg of mutton and trimmings, what is a *soiree dansante?* Ditto, with *capers*, to be sure.

Why are country girls' cheeks like a good print dress? Because they are warranted to wash and retain their color.

Why is wit like a Chinese lady' foot? Because brevity is the sole of it.

What kind of paper resembles a sneeze? Tissue paper.

Why is the letter S like thunder? Because it makes our cream sour cream.

Which is the most profitable of all business? The shoe, for every pair is *soled* before it is finished.

Why are opera dancers like parricides? Because they execute their *pas*.

Why may a foolish fellow reckon on having the sympathy of a hatter? Because a hatter has always *felt* for a fellow in want of a head-piece.

Why is the coal-scuttle which Mary has conveyed from the kitchen to the drawing-room like an infant put out to dry nurse? Because it is brought up by hand.

What portion of the trimmings of a lady's dress resembles East India sherry of the first quality? That which goes round the cape.

Why is the Atlantic cable in its present condition like a schoolmaster? Because it is supported by buoys (boys).

Why is one's father's nose like a well-trained child? Because it is always under a parent's eye.

When may the hand of a barometer be supposed to be engaged in commercial transactions? When it's on 'Change.'

If you detected a false ghost, on what grounds could you accuse him of murderous intentions? Because it was trying to frighten (fry ten) people.

What two letters would destroy all others, if allowed to do so? D K.

When is Echo like a visiting acquaintance? When she returns your call.

Why is an offering like a matrimonial engagement? Because it beging with an offer and ends with a ring.

What is the gentlest kind of spur? A whisper.

Why is a flirt like a hollow India-rubber ball? Because she is very empty and has a great deal of bounce.

Why are an ear of wheat and an oak similar in origin? Because they both spring from a corn.

When does Truth cease to be truth? When it "*lies* at the bottom of a well."

Why is the ballad of Cock Robin's death like the letter U? Because it makes a clark of the lark.

Why are A, E and U, the handsomest of the vowels? Because you cannot have beauty without them.

Why should Volunteers especially dislike the letter T? Because it turns rifles into trifles.

Why is the letter C like a generous fairy? Because it turns ash into cash.

When are ladies cut to pieces? When they are better halves.

Why is a worn out shoe like ancient Greece? Because it once had a Solon (sole-on).

Why is a man lifting a side of bacon off a hook to be pitied? Because he is a poor creature (pork reacher).

What is the only jam a schoolboy will not eat? Door jamb.

How should you measure your lover's sincerity? By his sighs.

Why is a nun invariably disappointed with her mode of life? Because it's "no end of a cell."

Why is a man taking a nap like a man reading a paper? Because he is enjoying his (s)nooze.

Why is one who loves praise, and abominates all sorts of verse, like a celebrated corner of Westminister Abbey? Because he is a poet (s)corner.

What is the difference between a spider and a duck? One has its feet perpetually on a web, and the other a web perpetually on its feet.

When do you see what is invisible?—When you see how you feel.

Why is the fish an eccentric animal? Because he will have his (s)whim.

Why is a soldier acting in compliance with an order given him, like his most formidable weapon? Because he's "*obdu-in it*" (a bayonet).

Why is the letter L like a precious gem? Because it's in-valuable.

What is the difference between a chattering lover and a pedestrian excursion through Wales? One is talking wooer, and the other is a walking tour.

Why is a man who asserts his right to a certain letter of the alphabet like one who calls out? Because he X-claims.

Why is a poker like an angry word? Because it often stirs up a smouldering fire.

Why is a beggar prevented by his name from repairing his clothes? Because he is a mend-i-cant.

If you make a perforation through a volume of Shakespeare, why is that a mathematical absurdity? Because the part is greater than the hole.

What is the difference between Noah's ark and an archbishop? One was a very high ark, but the other was a *hierarch*.

Which is the most wonderful animal in a farmyard? A pig, because he is killed first and cured afterwards.

Why must an analytical chemist be a female? Because if he's not an analyzer (Ann Eliza) he must be a charlatan (Charlotte Ann).

Which is the noisiest shop in the neighborhood? The confectioner's, because there is always a (n)ice (s)cream there.

When may a fisherman who has caught only a few fish be better off than one who has landed a greater number? When he has taken a good-eel more than the other.

Why does a chicken three weeks, three days and three hours old walk across the road? To get to the other side.

What is the difference between a piece of honeycomb and a black eye? One is produced by the laboring bee, and the other by a belaboring.

What is the difference between accepted and rejected lovers? The accepted kisses the miss, and the rejected misses the kiss.

GOOD ADVICE.—Never, says an exchange, use a lady's name in an improper place, at an improper time, or in mixed company. Never make assertions about her that you think are untrue, or allusions that you feel she herself would blush to hear. Many a worthy woman's character has been forever ruined and her heart broken by a lie, manufactured by a villain, and repeated where it should not have been, and in the presence of those whose little judgment could not deter them from circulating the foul and fiendish report. Respect the name of woman, for your mother and sisters are women; and as you would have their fair names untarnished, and their lives unembittered by slanderous biting tongues, heed the ill your own words may bring upon the mother, the sister, or the wife of some fellow creature.

Answer to a "Call."

The following answer substantially, with names omitted, was recently returned to a "call" extended by a Home Missionary Agent to a young minister to "settle" in the interior of one of the Western states:

"DEAR BROTHER:—Allow me to group a few objections against going to ——, I speak by the card.

"1. You know that state is considered the worst in the Union, that county the worst in the state, that town the worst in the county, and that neighborhood has the worst set of men in the town. One man there is 'such a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him' (1 Sam. 25: 17.) He is considered, however, the best man in town. The prophet Samuel had also the advantage in his day in that Nabul had a good wife; but this man's wife is worse than himself. 'The Lord also smote Nabul that he died,' but this man and his wife are still alive. You are right when you call it 'rather a tough country, but the grandest kind of a mission field.'

"2. The mud is from three to five feet deep, alluvial deposit of that depth lying upon a substratum of clay impervious to water. This under stratum of clay, however, is the only salvation of the country, preventing everything from sinking and sinking below it. All traveling is done on horseback; but my horse is not long-legged enough to touch the under stratum. The tradition is, that when the Creator finished cementing the world, He threw an extra hodful of mortar down in this place.

"3. Mosquitoes are of the mammoth kind, generally termed gallinippers. Many of them will weigh a pound, and they climb up on the trees and bark.

"4. Fever and ague indiginous. Country flat and streams run both ways Ague shakes even the bark off of all except gum trees. Few have ever crawled out of the sixteen-miles swamp alive. and they were shaken out by the chills

"5. The inhabitants are not as loving as cooing doves. The last commandment, 'that ye love one another,' probably has not reached them yet, as they live so far inland. Indeed it is the Kilkenny cats over again. You know the cats fought all night, when nothing could be found but a cloud of fur and the tip of Norval's tail. So Norval beat. Well, a cloud of fur has rested over this district a score of years Bobtails of no account.

"6. That salary of $300 (maximum) must be a mistake, as that is a larger sum of money than has ever been heard of in the country.

"There is one advantage, however, to be mentioned in this connection. Pastors in this district have generally been 'settled' for life. Their longevity, however, has not been remarkable.

"All things considered, I think I had better decline the call, hoping that the successful candidate may make his 'will' before he 'settles.' He might get his life insured had not all the life insurance companies abandoned that part of the country.

"It is fortunate that 'the church has no man in view'—I mean for the man!"

Mrs. Partington says that because dancing girls are stars, it is no reason they should be regarded as heavenly bodies.

Advices from South America are important. Bolivia was concentrating troops and preparing for an invasion of Buenos Ayers. The Paraguayans had assumed the offensive and bombarded the Brazilian camp. Peru had declined the mediation of France and England in her difficulties with Spain.

Advices from Mexico continue to be interesting, although not very important. Canales' surrender to Escobedo, simply consisted in transferring his command to the latter's division, the command being retained by Canales, Maximilian was at Grizaba on the 25th ult. He was expected in Mexico soon. It was believed that he would receive Minister Campbell and General Sheridan favorably. His very strange conduct of late warrants the suspicion of insanity.

☞ A Washington dispatch announces that the Senate will pass, by a two-thirds vote, bills for the admission of Colorado and Nebraska into the Union. The rapid extension of one of the eastern branches of the Pacific railway through Nebraska is hastening its development, and Colorado will soon be reached by the branch that is being constructed through Kansas.

☞ An ex-rebel major general in the South west declines to converse on political matters, because he considers himself a paroled prisoner, and as such has not the right to dictate what the policy of Congress or the President should be. How much better it would be for the country if all who served in the army of treason thought and acted as this officer does.

JACK'S PRAYER ANSWERED.—Once upon a time there resided in Peebleshire, Scotland, a half-witted sort of a man who had a notion that he was ratner religious, and who was in the habit of saying his prayers in a field behind a turf-dyke. One day this individual was followed to his retirement by some evil disposed persons, who screening themselves on the opposite side, prepared to listen to what he should say. Jack commenced his devotions, and amongst other things, expressed his conviction that he was a very great sinner, and that even were the turf-dyke at that moments to fall upon him, it would be no more than he deserved. No sooner had he said this than the persons on the opposite side pushed the dyke over upon him. Scrambling out from amongst the debris, Jack was heard saying, "Hech, sirs! it' an awfu' world this; a body cannot say a thing in a joke but it's t'aen in earnest."

QUICK WORK.—We heard a story told of a "Yank" which we must repeat. He belonged to Sherman's crockery-smashing squad when on their little pleasure trip to the sea. Being separated from his command one dark night, he found himself hotly pursued by a squad of yellow rebels. Racing down a rough ravine, his horse fell, throwing, and giving him a stunning fall, and then galloped away. When he recovered he commenced feeling round in the darkness for his steed. Presently he encountered the carcass of a skinned horse; after feeling it carefully all over from nose to tail, he came to the sage conclusion that it was his own. "Well," said he; "I swou to gravy, if that ain't quick work; *no sooner down than the hide's off*. I'm glad they didn't find me." He gave his opinion on his return to camp that leather must be "pesky skurce among the rebs, and that they beat "creation a skinnin quick."

Two good-natured Irishmen, on a certain occasion, occupied the same bed. In the morning one of them inquired of the other:

"Dennis, did you hear the thunder last night?"

"No, Pat; did it railey thunder?"

"Yes; it thundered as if hiven and airth would come together."

"Why in the divil, thin, didn't ye wake me, for ye know I can't slape when it thunders."

A man who had won a fat turkey at a raffle, and whose pious wife was very inquisitive about the method of obtaining the poultry, satisfied her at last by the remark that the "Shakers" gave it to him.

☞ The Tennessee House of Representatives has killed a bill to establish free schools. We are sorry for the 79,000 white adults in that State who cannot read or write. A little learning is a dangerous thing to legislators, and these seem to have just enough education to want to keep the people in ignorance.

☞ A cotemporary likens the effect of the Chicago *Times'* policy for the Democratic party to that of castor oil on the boy, who made a wry face and said to his mother, "I don't think I quite like castor oil—*its a little too rich*."

☞ The most astonishing fish story yet told is the statement by Prof. Agassiz, that in Brazil they have a species of fish which can climb trees and bark. Fact! they ascend by a series of scales.

A bell to be placed on the engine-house at Meadeville weighs one ton.

CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8, 1866.

Congress has been in session four days and adjourned over till Monday; but the House in that brief space has planned work enough for a winter. Committees of investigation have been ordered, the President and the departments have been called on for a variety of useful information. The New Orleans massacre is to be cleared up; the repeated murders of Union men at the South are to be inquired into, and the President's wholesale removals from office investigated.

The House has commenced the session in a proper spirit, and its work promises to be conducted in the right manner. I have seen nothing in the proceedings of the House, whether in its daily sessions or the three caucuses it has held, which changes the opinion formed before Congress met—that no serious attempt to impeach the President will be made. No doubt some very excellent members favor it; but three fourths if not five-sixths are totally opposed to anything of the kind, unless Mr. Johnson attempts to do something worse in the future than he has done in the past. It is barely *possible*, however, that the investigations ordered may develop his connection with the murder of Union men at the South. It is *possible* (but improbable) that he has been criminally negligent in the arrest of Surrat; but, inasmuch, as the alleged assassin is in custody of U. S. authorities, an impeachment on this ground will hardly be thought of by anybody.

As I understand the matter, the investigations ordered by the House have no particular reference to an impeachment. The House and the country *want the facts*. Besides, an investigation of any kind usually has a most wholesome effect upon evil-doers. The South understands now that a committee of investigation is ready at any moment to take up the case of the poorest negro, or that of the proudest rebel. The world is to know how white rebels treat loyal freedmen. Nothing henceforth is to be hid. The field of investigation must be wide when a man of the world, like Sheridan, says, in his report, that in Texas the trial of a white man for the murder of a freedman "is a farce." Sheridan is no "Abolitionist," no "Radical," I even doubt if he is a "Republican;" yet he reports this atrocious state of things to Gen. Grant.

The object of these investigations, then, is to elicit facts, and with them educate the public mind. This is right. A few of our friends seem to desire to *punish* the President for his bad conduct. No doubt he deserves punishment; but there is a nobler work for radicals to engage in than that. It has seemed to me at times as if certain Radicals were more indignant over the wrongs of removed office-holders than of the freedmen—that they think more of filling lucrative offices with Republicans than they do of giving the black man his political rights. Probably I am mistaken but, if I am not, I frankly admit that there is good ground for intense indignation at the treachery of the President in his displacement of Republicans from office.

The Senate takes up the suffrage question (for the District of Columbia) on Monday. Senator Morrill, of Maine, opens the debate with an argument for *impartial* suffrage. It is tolerably certain that Congress will at its present session give to the colored men of the District the same political rights as those enjoyed by white men. If any limitations are made, they will apply to all alike.

Nothing has yet been done upon the subject of reconstruction; but the House has revived the committee; and this is significant. for the present a majority of the Republican members seem inclined to stand upon the Constitutional Amendment; and in times like these parties drift, for they cannot anchor. Let the South ponder this fact.—D.W.B. *in the N. Y. Independent.*

THE SECRET OF Mr. STANTON'S position in remaining a Cabinet officer is explained by a statement that he is determined not to be driven from his position, and that he has resolved to stand by the interests of the people without any regard to the policy of the President. This is the explanation given by George Wilkes, of the New York *Spirit of the Times*.

SENATOR WADE, in his remarks in favor of his proposed amendment of the Constitution prohibiting the re-election of a President, stated that one of the chief sources of the political troubles in this country for the past forty years had been the improper use of Government patronage by Presidential incumbents to secure a re-election.

A Dublin dispatch dated Friday night says: "The purposes and proceedings of the Fenians in this island monopolize the attention of the Irish Government. The Grand Lodge of Orangemen have held a meeting and issued an earnest call for the members of their order to support the government in its endeavors to keep the peace.

A romantic young man says that a young woman's heart is like the moon; it changes continually, but it always has a man in it.