

FLASHES OF FUN

"I love the ground you walk on."
This was the tale he told.
They lived up by the Klondike.
And the ground was full of gold.
—Washington Star.

Had One—Willie—Say, pa, what's a floating debt? Pa—Our yacht, my son.
—Chicago News.

Bill—He's got a good square head on his shoulders. Jill—Sort of a hollow square, isn't it?—Yonkers Statesman.

Artist—How much do you think that picture is worth? Visitor—I have no idea of the cost of artists' materials.
—Up-to-Date.

Simmons—Don't you think poetry is declining? Timmins—It isn't declining so much as being declined.—Indianapolis Journal.

Nell—Mr. Stillens is only an apology for a man. Belle—Well, wouldn't you accept an apology if it were offered?—Boston Traveler.

She—Yes, they say there's a fool in every family. Don't you think so? He—If you will, you see, I'm the only member of the family.—Pick-Me-Up.

Mistress of the House—My good man did you ever take a bath? Tramp—No, mum; I never took anything bigger than a silver teapot.—Tit-Bits.

Most Probable—Penelope—And what do you think? Marie writes me that the count has at last expressed his love to her. Ethel—H'm—C. O. D., I suppose?—Puck.

Too High—Mrs. Poeticus—Don't you think my new hat is a poem? Poeticus—No, Mrs. Poeticus—Why not? Poeticus—Oh, I'm merely judging by its price.—Truth.

Teacher—But can't you define "bi-cycle"? Suppose some one asked you what a bicycle is, what would you say? Pupil—I'd say, "Don't you know what a bicycle is?"—Puck.

"A man nowadays," said the young cynical boarder, "who is upright, is a peach." "I should suggest," said the Cheerful Idiot, "that he was plumb."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Eaton makes me tired, bragging to his wife all the time, as he does. He says that all he is owes to her." "Do you call that bragging about her?"—New York Journal.

"Barker has a little too much self confidence." "I'll have to disagree. Barker has too much sense to put any confidence in anything he hears himself say."—Indianapolis Journal.

Brown—Did you ever see a man who really wanted the earth? Towne—Oh, yes, Brown—Who was he? Towne—A first-trip passenger on an ocean liner.—Brooklyn Life.

"You shall be rich and famous," said the fortune-teller. "Alas!" cried the sinner; "then I am undone. For my dream was to devote my life to art."—Philadelphia North American.

"One great trouble with folks," said Uncle Eben, "is dat dey's liable ter mis take de smalles' speck on dah serenity for de pint whah patience ceases ter be a virtue."—Washington Star.

Quite Likely—Brown—What would you do if some one should leave you a hundred thousand dollars? Jones—I suppose I'd begin to realize how little a hundred thousand really is.—Truth.

"Are you a believer in the theory that to the victors belong the spoils?" "That," replied Senator Sorghum, "depends entirely on whether or not I am one of the victors."—Washington Star.

She—How would you punctuate the following: "Bank of England notes of various values were blown along the street by the wind?" He—I think I would make a dash after the notes.—Tit-Bits.

"Have you written to your niece?" "To Mary?" "Yes." "No, I haven't. Fact is, I can't remember how she spells her name lately. It's either Marie, Marje or Mairie."—Cleveland Plaindealer.

Young Parent—Come right in, old man, and have a drink. I'm a happy father. Old Parent—No, my boy; I'm much obliged, but I can't encourage you in your delusions.—Philadelphia North American.

Skinny Bill—Do you believe in ghosts? Bloody Mike—Do I? I met one once. Blood right in my path "Gee! What did you do?" "Jis' kep on goin' and went through him."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Very wet and slippy under foot this morning." "Not particularly. Out where I live it's worse than this twelve months in the year." "Where do you live, if I may ask?" "In a lighthouse."—Chicago Tribune.

Three different waiters at a hotel asked a prim, precise little professor at dinner if he would have soup. A little annoyed, he said to the last waiter who asked the question, "Is it compulsory?" "No, sir," said the waiter. "I think it's mock turtle." "Officer," shouted an excited man to a Chicago policeman, "those fellows in that saloon just stood me on my head and took away every cent I had!" "Them boys at Patsy's," was the officer's comment, as he moved on, "was always great at jokes."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Pills—Dosen has been expelled from the medical association for advertising contrary to the code. Squills—How did he advertise? Pills—Called to lead the prayer meeting the other evening, he walked up to the front and gave out the hymn, "The Great Physician Now Is Here."—Cryt.

"How do you know it is all over between George and Clara?" "I know it is if she's a girl of spirit. He took her to a restaurant last evening for a luncheon, and after it was over he let a big colored waiter tuck her sheets in for her when she put on her fur jacket."—Chicago Tribune.

Woman's Fate.

From the Record, Bushnell, Ill.

No woman is better able to speak to others regarding "woman's fate" than Mrs. Jacob Weaver, of Bushnell, Ill., wife of ex-City Marshal Weaver. She had entirely recovered from the illness which kept her bedfast much of the time for five or six years past, and says her recovery is due to that well-known remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mrs. Weaver is fifty-six years old, and has lived in Bushnell nearly thirty years. She is of unquestionable veracity and unblemished reputation. The story of her recovery is interesting. She says:

"I suffered for five or six years with the trouble that comes to women at this time of my life. I was much weakened, was unable much of the time to do my own work, and suffered beyond my power to describe. I was downhearted and melancholy.

"I took many different medicines. In fact, I took medicine all the time, but nothing seemed to do me any good.

"I read about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and some of my friends recommended them highly. I made up my mind to try them. I have not been troubled since I began taking the pills.

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"I have recommended the pills to many women who are suffering as I suffered. They are the only thing that helped me in the trial that comes to so many women at my age."—Mrs. J. H. Weaver.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of October, A. D. 1897.

O. C. Hicks, Notary Public.

When woman is passing beyond the age of motherhood, it is a crisis in her life. Then, if ever, proper attention to hygiene should be exercised. The attendant sufferings will disappear and buoyant health will follow if Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are used.

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A South American Snake Story.

There is more than one way of fighting a snake. In Natal, South Africa, a party of fifty or sixty Kafirs were building a road. In the course of their work they came to a huge stone, under which dwelt a large black mamba, well-known to the neighboring inhabitants as being very fierce and venomous.

The superintendent anticipated a trouble with the rock and so he offered a reward to the Kafir that would bring him the snake's skin. For a time none of them dared make the attack, but a slim youth finally sauntered forward, and amid the jeers and protestations of the rest declared himself equal to the task.

He took from his neck what looked like a bit of shriveled stick, chewed it, swallowed some of it, spat out the rest on his hands, and proceeded to rub his glistening brown body and limbs all over. Then, taking up his stick, and chanting a song of defiance, he advanced with great confidence and swagger to the boulder. There he roused up the mamba, who in great fury at being disturbed bit him in the leg with great venom. The boy took no notice of the bit, but broke the snake's back with his stick and bringing him to his master asked for the reward.

He began taking the reward, obtaining which he went back to his work and the life of the reptile had no effect on him whatever.

No tribe, not even that of a cow (better than any gold in the eyes of a Kafir), would induce this native to disclose the secret of his antidote, which he said, had been handed down in his family for generations. The snake was a very long one, and so old that it had a mummy. It was a well-known fact that certain of the Zulus have antidotes for the more deadly snake poisons, which they preserve as a secret within their own families.

Col. Robert Ingersoll's old Sunday school teacher, John P. Robertson, was just died at Ashabula, O., aged 90. For 4 years he lived in the house occupied by Ingersoll's father.

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An unusual form of insanity was presented for treatment at Bellevue recently. It was that of a woman who cured nothing for alcoholic beverages, but was afflicted with the Jamaica ginger habit. She says she has an insurmountable desire for ginger, as it produces a stimulating effect, but does not intoxicate her, and she believes she could live on it. She ate little food when she could obtain the drug, and she cared for no other kind of drink.

Dr. Carlson placed the woman among the alcoholic patients. A curious feature of the case is that when a child she was unusually fond of ginger snaps, and ate them in the way that many girls eat candy.—New York Commercial-Advertiser.

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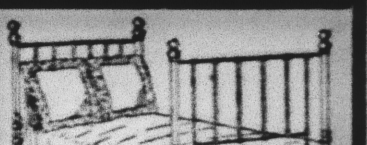
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