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LOAVES AND FISHES.

Greed has no respect for law. Faith is the mother of courage. Error always stubs its toes on a fact. Satan is continually watching and preying.

Sentiments may change, but truth does not.

The most notable man is not able to save souls.

The preacher will not reap wheat if he sows sand.

Man magnifies his miseries and minimizes his mercies.

If God could make; the solar system, He could also stop the machine.

The smaller a man's heart, the bigger a man looks in his eyes.

You cannot "train up" a child by keeping down all his aspirations.

Too many want to have the victor's crown without the soldier's wounds.

SNAP SHOTS.

A tight fit—the delirium tremens. Always listen to an honest reason. Cupid is the only genuine optimist.

In the house of the tambourine all dance.

The seed die into a new life, and so does a man.

Labor to show more wit in discourse than words.

The joy that isn't shared with another dies young.

God makes character, and man makes reputation.

Employment and ennui are simply incompatible.

A smart man can learn a great deal from a fool.

He who stirs honey must have some stuck to him.

The man who wins the fight doesn't mind the scar.

THE MAN'S DICTIONARY.

Affinity—The woman one can never marry.

Woman—See also Sphinx, Shrew, Angel and Devil.

Bluestocking—A term of reproach applied to the girl who refuses to be impressed.

Honor—Something to be kept in dealing with other men—with women never.

Hat—A tail one goes to outgrow. Idiot—See also Fakir and Blockhead. A man who draws a bigger salary than one's self.

Love—Ecstatic Wretchedness.

Honeymoon—A flirtation sanctioned by the church.

Ass—The man "she" cares for.

WHAT ONE'S BODY CONTAINS.

There is enough fat to make from four to eight pounds of candles.

Enough gas to fill a gasmeter of 3649 feet.

Enough hydrogen to fill a balloon that would lift himself.

Enough iron to make five car-tacks.

Enough carbon to make 9,360 lead pencils.

Enough salt to provide a dinner party.

A bowlful of sugar.

Nine and one half gallons of water.

Phosphorous enough to make 8,064 boxes of matches.

VAST WEALTH.

In Russia no one knows how rich are the Demidoffs or the Yousouffs, because their fortunes are in the shape of vast domains containing gold and silver mines of incalculable value. These have not yet been developed, but they are but two of the millionaire families, and there are hundreds of others in the empire.

AN OLD OVEN.

A Pennsylvania druggist, rummaging about among accumulated rubbish in his garret, found an old iron oven that once belonged to Martha Washington. With it were letters proving authenticity and an unbroken chain of ownership up to the finder's mother.

BISMARCK'S DUELS.

Bismarck fought twenty-eight duels, and in all these conflicts received but one wound, which was caused by the accidental breaking of his antagonist's sword.

SIAMSEES DEBTORS.

Debtors in Siam, when three months in arrears, can be seized by the creditors and compelled to work out their indebtedness. Should a debtor run away, his father, his wife, or his children may be held in slavery until the debt is canceled.

GLADSTONE'S FUNERAL.

The public funeral of Mr. Gladstone was not extraordinarily expensive. Some of the newspapers gave the cost as \$35,000, but a competent authority states that the actual cost was about \$10,000.

Never remind people who have been married longer than six weeks that they married their ideals.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of Chas H. Fletcher

SOLID AGAINST QUAY.

Every Democrat in the Legislature Pledged to Oppose the Re-election of the Senior Senator.

Democrats Resent the Claims of the Quay Managers That the Votes of Democrats Can Be Purchased.

(Special Correspondence) Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 10.

The devotees of the lost cause are leaving nothing undone to restore the public to the notion that Quay cannot be beaten. Much of the strength of the "old man" heretofore has been in the belief that in some way he could rise above all apparent or preliminary defeats and in the end achieve the full victory for which he contended.

This too prevalent fancy received its severest blow on Tuesday night by the break down of his caucus. The ingenuity of his followers is now being exercised to stimulate the weak to believe that this signal failure was all the time anticipated by Quay; that what appears to others a fatal disaster is only a seeming defeat skillfully arranged for in advance to make more secure the final decisive victory.

QUAY'S FALLING STAR.

There is in all this nothing but audacious bluff and falsehood. Senator Quay's star is a falling one. The caucus vote of last Tuesday night started it from its orbit. When Cromwell was returned to the parliament of Charles I by the majority of one vote his antagonist, Cleaveland, the poet, exclaimed:

"That vote hath ruined both church and kingdom." "That vote," we may truly say, when referring to Tuesday's caucus, "hath ended both Quay and Quay's dynasty." The independents have the votes to prevent his election, and by union with the Democrats they also have the votes to name his successor.

The act of 1867 explicitly declares "a majority of all the votes of the said joint assembly" shall be necessary for an election, "majority of all the members elected to both houses being present and voting." This confers upon the opponents of Quay the power to break the quorum and prevent the election of any one, if they so desire, by simple abstention from voting. While it might not be necessary to resort to anything so drastic as this, it is clear that the enemies of Mr. Quay have the key to the situation. That in the extremist emergency, failing themselves to unite upon a candidate, they can absolutely stop Mr. Quay's own election.

TO BUY UP DEMOCRATS.

The claim of the Quay people that his victory will be won by the aid of purchased Democratic votes is another outrageously false assertion. But it is none the less boldly declared, the machine hands in some instances going so far as to give names. Within the past few days a memorandum secured from one of the Quay managers gave the names of Democratic members from whom it is claimed votes can be drawn for Quay. If this list had any stamp of truth upon it it would not here be given to the public, but its makeup is so palpably false that it is presented to show to what lengths these desperate men are going to alarm, intimidate or discourage bolting Republicans.

The Quay list of hoped for Democrats is as follows: Dutcher and Cole of Adams county, Spatz and Naftzinger of Berks, Craig of Carbon, Christian of Columbia, Keegan of Fayette, Timlin of Lackawanna, Kramlich, Roth and Moyer of Lehigh, Thompson of Wayne, Kayler and Shutt of York.

Those acquainted with these gentlemen, or with a single one of them, must know that there can be no possible excuse for a suggestion that any one will fall in the performance of his duty to his party and to his state.

HIGH CLASS DEMOCRATS.

The Democratic members of this legislature are with few exceptions men of experience in affairs and the average is very much better than that of many years past. That the members of the lower house are, to a man, resolute and unflinching in the cause of good government was shown by the frank and unanimous proposition made by them to the independent Republicans looking to fusion on the leadership. It will be remembered that although the members of the lower branch had not all been convened together before, in less than an hour, and with little discussion, except as to minor details, an agreement was reached whereby every member pledged himself to join in fusion for house organization. There was no haggling for prospective spoils on the part of any individual; no backing and filling to gain points for selfish ends, but all heartily united in a common purpose, which, if gained, could result only in good to the Commonwealth. It is quite as certain that all (members of both houses) will as cordially unite for the success of the opposition to Quay upon such a union as may seem to assure the best results for the state.

THE GUSHING MAIDEN AND THE YOUTH.

"What soulful eyes you have," she said to the innocent youth.

FAITH AND OL' V.

"Faith, and Ol' V! got a fine healthy boy, and the neighbor says he is the very picture of me."

O'Grady looked at Pat, who wasn't built on the lines of a prize beauty.

"Och, well, what's the harum so long as the child's healthy."

GUINEA PIGS AND RATS.

The hundreds of people who see queer little animals called guinea pigs in the show windows of bird stores know that they are of any use except as pets. It is said that rats will not stay in the same building with guinea pigs and for that reason they are in great demand by chicken raisers, who usually suffer by having "peeps" carried off by rodents. Besides this the animals cost absolutely nothing to keep, as they will eat anything and everything and seem to thrive on nothing but grass. They are very prolific. One pair will rear a dozen young every year.

GERMAN CYCLISTS.

It is estimated that there are 3,120,000 cyclists in Germany, each one of whom had to pay a tax of 50 cents to have his name entered and to receive a number for his machine, together with a book, which he must carry about him, as it contains a description of his person.

SCENE OF ANIMAL VOICES.

According to a musical authority, the moan of a cow is set to a perfect fifth, octave or tenth; the bark of a dog to a fourth or fifth; the neighing of a horse is a perfect octave. Yet it is thought that the quality of the donkey's voice might be improved.

A RARE COOK.

An eating house proprietor in Tacoma, Wash., arrested for selling game out of season, escaped on evidence, satisfactory to the jury, that his wife could prepare mutton to make it taste like venison.

ALWAYS WITH YOU.

Hat brushes are being made in Germany with a spring handle, attached to the back, which when opened out serves to fix the brush in the top of the hat so as to be always at hand.

A GREAT TRUTH.

It seems strange that a dog can find any enjoyment in his ear-vexing bark. But there are men and women who delight to hear themselves talk.

TRY THIS.

To know genuine juvenility, try going around with a man or a woman twenty years older than yourself.

MAKE UP.

American women spend \$60,000,000 a year on cosmetics.

START OF ONE MILLIONAIRE

Earned His First \$10 Throwing a Circus Hercules.

"Had I caught my train that night," laughed the man who had nothing to do for a quarter of a century but sit and watch pine trees grow to swell his bank account, "I would probably be a farmer now, trying to raise a mortgage and a few other things. I had gone to a little town in lower Wisconsin to see a colt there that a man wanted to sell me. I was a good judge of stock and shrewd on a trade, but a greener country lad never broke into a town. I would have walked back to the farm after I found myself too late for the train, but I saw a handbill announcing a show that night, and couldn't resist the temptation to see it, though it did cost a quarter.

"Great things, all fresco jollifications, you know—intended to heal old sores—wipe out cliques—restore all that love-and-charity-to-your-neighbor feeling, and generally weld a congregation together. Fine time we had! Jones left the imprint of his new fifteen-dollar trousers on Mrs. Smith's big huckleberry pie that she'd had a lot of trouble making; Charlie Johnson spilled coffee all over May Brown's fine white silk waist; young Bobbie Bates capsized the boat with two deacons and their wives in it; nobody asked Birdie Scroggs to sing or Lily Mudd to play the guitar; old Crusty caught the preacher kissing his wife; Binks had his mouth stained a rich, durable ebony because little Percy Pawpaw had put ink in the blackberry pie, and Mrs. Pawpaw reared up at his daring to whip her boy and everybody took sides—and oh well, never mind the rest.

"Such a disreputable, frowsy lot you never saw when they finally started for home, and what was worse not a single soul on speaking terms with any other soul. They tell me now that the church is split into as many factions as there are families.

"Tell the Cook.

That beefsteak broiled without salt is much more juicy and tender. It may be seasoned with salt, pepper and butter when ready to serve.

That a little boiled rice or corn left from dinner can be made into most excellent fritters by the addition of an egg or two, a little baking powder and flour to make a stiff batter; then fry in hot lard.

That rancid butter boiled in water with a pinch of charcoal will lose its rancid odor and taste and may be used for cooking purposes.

That musty coffee or tea pots may be cleaned and sweetened by putting in a tablespoonful of wood ashes and filling with cold water; then set over the fire and boil, and after a thorough washing and rinsing they will be as good as new.

That broken bits of bread should not be allowed to accumulate, as they can be fried or served as cream toast when too large to put in with the crumbs for powdering; beat up an egg or two with a little milk, dip the sliced bread in this and fry slightly in good hot drippings, or toast, dip in hot water, butter slightly and cover with white sauce.

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