

A GEY AULD WIFE.

A little old woman with soulless shoes
And a heart as hard as flint.
In the light of the sun and the glint of the moon
Her locks are as white as lint.

THE MAN IN THE MOON

How a Husband and Wife Forgave
One Another For Mutual
Indiscretion.

"It simply won't do," observed Mr.
Portland-Rhodes, with emphasis.
"May I ask what you are talking
about?"

"I am talking about your extra-
ordinary," said her husband. "If it contin-
ues, you will simply burst up the show,"
he added, relapsing into slang.

"I'm afraid your theatrical friends are
demoralizing your English."
"The English language? nothing to
do with the conversation," he snapped.

"And I'm tired of these dark allusions
to my theatrical friends. It's absurd to
imagine that because I take a girl to
supper that there's anything in it.
She was an old friend."

"I should hardly call her old," said
Mrs. Portland-Rhodes critically. "Sup-
pose we say middle-aged?"
"Anyway, we are drifting from the
point."

"Your extravagance. I cannot stand
the pace. What's to be done with these
things?" indicating a little pile of bills.
"I'm afraid I have no head for busi-
ness," said his wife, looking tired.

"But how are we going to meet them?"
Mrs. Rhodes sniffed her smelling bot-
tle with an air of extreme patience.
"Write out a check?" she gasped.

THREE ODD NUMBERS

PECULIARITIES THAT HEDGE ABOUT
THREE, SEVEN AND NINE.

They Have Been Favorite Numerals
at All Times All the World Over
and Disclose Some Querc Results
When Twisted About a Bit.

Nobody has ever satisfactorily account-
ed for the popular partiality for odd num-
bers. "This is the third time!" exclaims
Falstaff, on the occasion of a crisis in his
relations with one of the merry wives
of Windsor. "I hope good luck lies in
odd numbers; they say there's a divinity
in odd numbers, either in nativity,

"I had a little flutter in Angelicos,
too," she said easily.
"Who put you on to it?" he asked
sharply. "There were not a dozen men
in town who knew anything about it."

"I thought you might like to preach
one of your lay sermons," she said.
"Not at all," he answered, with a pro-
voking smile. "I'm not like somebody
I know. I'm not going to make a moun-
tain out of a molehill. But, really, a

Justice Garoutte related an amusing
incident which occurred to him while
crossing the Atlantic. "The band played
every night in the second cabin," he says.

There is a pretty piece of acting on her
part—the airiness, the nonchalance, the
magnificent disregard for debt. It was
all put on. She was in a complicated
frame of mind. She was jealous of her
husband on account of an innocent
"spree" of his, which green glasses had
made hideous.

"Hello, Cush?" "Hello, Bill!"
The late Senator Davis left his house
on Massachusetts avenue one morning
and started to walk to the cars. Sudden-
ly, as if sprung from the ground, a
man approached him. He was an old
member of Davis' company in the war,
and he looked seedy.

Security Too Big to Store.
One of the big speculators in the street
recently went to a banker and said that
he wished to borrow \$1,000,000. "All
right," was the response. "What is
your security?"

THE CURE THAT CURES

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The fact can be verified by any child
who has mastered the first four rules of
arithmetic, and the explanation of it is
another matter. To Junior Wranglers or
even to Junior Orators there may be
nothing very mysterious about all this.
And it may be that if any of us would
only put himself through a course of the
higher algebra, digest the integral calcul-
us and master a few amusing treatises
on the theory of differences all that now
seems so perplexing in the matter would
become as plain as the multiplication table.—London Globe.

And so on to any extent. On arriving at
7 times 9 we find what appears to be an
exception, for the digits of 63 equal 18.
But it will be observed that 18 is a multiple
of 9 and, moreover, that the figures
composing it add up to 9. Another pecu-
liarity of this figure is discovered by
taking any number of two figures of
which the first figure is of greater value
than the second, reversing these figures
and then subtracting the number thus ob-
tained from the original number. What-
ever figures we may take, the result will
always be 9 or some multiple of 9. The
smallest possible number of two figures
of which the first figure is larger than
the second is 21. Reverse the figures,
and we get 12. Subtract 12 from 21, and
the remainder is 9. The largest similar
number is 98. Reverse these figures, and we get
89. Subtract 89 from 98, and again the
remainder is found to be 9.

Well, we separated, and I mounted my
broncho and started back to D—, \$2,600
ahead. But I had barely got out of
sight of the camp when, looking back
over the road, I saw a cloud of dust,
with now and then a glimpse of horse-
men. When they came nearer, I saw
they were headed by Mowyer, and I drew
rein. In a moment they had come up and
formed a circle around me. Mowyer dis-
mounted and stepping forward drew his
ugly looking six shooter and comman-
ded me to dismount also. He simply said:
"Would you be so good as to let us see
them three magic cards again?" The others
were grimly silent.

Now, partner," he resumed, "we he
again to count these cards again. If
they're all straight, well and good. But
if there's one card more'n there ought to
be, ye can say your prayers. I reckon ye
know," he added significantly, "whether
there is or no." "About us countin'." And
he proceeded, laying each card out by it-
self on the hot, dusty road.
If I had only put that "cold" ace out of
the way! I thought now I was as good
as "done for."

It is a notorious fact that the average
government clerk is the most improvi-
dent person found in any class of em-
ployment. In proportion to the amount
of pay he receives he has more debts
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who gets 35 per cent less money.

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