WIT, HUMOR AND WISDOM.

"BLESSED IS HE WHO CAN UNDERSTAND A JOKE, FOR VERILY THERE BE SOME WHO KNOW NOT A JOKE WHEN THEY SEE IT."

—A more or less ancient proverb.

A man who can draw a pint of molasses through a half inch hole, with the mercury below zero, and sing 'Home Sweet Home,' while the molasses is running, may be strictly honest but he is not sudden enough for this climate.—*Josh Billings.*

'Fine morning, your Honor,' affably remarked the man who had been arrested the night before for being drunken and disorderly.

'Yes, indeed,' responded the justice, 'quite a fine morning: 'in fact, a ten dollar fine morning.'—*Anon.*

Aunt: 'Has any one been at these preserves?' There followed a dead silence all around the table.

Aunt: 'Have you touched them, Tommy?'

Tommy: 'Pa never 'lows me to talk at dinner!'—*Anon.*

Little Tommy was having his hair combed by his mother, and he grumbled at the operation.

'Why, Tommy, you oughtn't to make such a fuss. I don't when my hair is combed.'

'Yes, but your hair ain't hitched to your head.'—*Anon.*

A small boy at Montpelier, Vermont, was taking tea, with a large party, at the house of a friend. When it came the boy's turn to be helped, the host said:

'Well, Johnny, what will you have?'

'Johnny looked over the table a moment and then made this crushing reply:

'When I am at home, and don't see anything good to eat on the table, I have crackers and milk, and I guess *I'll have crackers and milk now.*—*Anon.*

The guests at the boarding-house of the widow Flapjack, on Austin avenue, still continue to grumble at their fare.

Yesterday morning, Gilhooly said at the breakfast table to Mrs. Flapjack:

'I notice that you have a vicious looking dog in the yard. Does he bite?'

'Indeed he does.'

'Will you be kind enough to give him this piece of tenderloin beefsteak, with my compliments. I'd like very much to see him bite it, if you have no objections.'—*Siftings.*

There is a young lady who lives next door to Blogg's house, and while Blogg had company the other evening she was heard in her endeavors to extort music from a piano.

'Our neighbors daughter is a very good player,' remarked Blogg, affably, during a pause in the conversation.

'Her time is a little slow,' was the critical response of Blogg's caller, who happened to be a connoisseur in music.

'Yes,' said Blogg, 'her young man is there, and very likely she has set the clock back.'—*Lowell Citizen.*

'Couldn't you find room enough for yourself on that bench, without pushing that little boy off?' asked the teacher of the bad boy of the school.

'I didn't want any room for myself,' was the reply. 'I wasn't crowded at all.'

'Then why did you push him off?'

'To give him more room. He was the boy who was crowded; so I pushed him off to give him plenty of room. There is a great deal more room off the bench than there is on it.,

It was smart, but the offender was sent out to cut a switch, all the same.—*Anon.*

There's an old legend of the time when Bidwell was candidate for Governor. He had a servant at the door, who demanded cards from his visitors before they could be admitted. Cards do not grow in the rural districts, and even the playing cards are not of the best quality. But the story has nothing to do with cards. One day an old farmer and his family called. The servant answered the call.

'Is the Governor's folks at home?' demanded the old farmer.

'*Are*, papa, *are*, not *is*,' said the Mills Seminary daughter.

'Are the Governor in?' said the old man, and the young lady fainted.—*San Francisco Chronicle.*

The other day the driver of a Woodward avenue car saw a boy slip softly up on the rear platform, and he presently called to him to vacate.

The boy replied by making up faces.

'I tell you to git!'

The boy elevated his nose.

The driver seized his whip, but the boy winked at him. Whip in hand, the driver dropped off the car to make good his threat, but as he grabbed for the rear railing he missed it and sprawled in the street, while the horse jogged along at such a gait as made it necessary to run two blocks to overtake the car. The boy meanwhile engaged in chuckles, grins, cackles, guffaws and gyrations, but as the driver got within 10 feet of the car he walked in, deposited his fare in the box and came out to coolly observe:

'I'm a passenger now, and you larrup me if you want the company sued for $10,000 damages!'

The driver didn't.—*Detroit Free Press.*

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The other day while Major Dodridge was sitting in his dooryard the gate opened and a strange-looking man hastily approached.

'Is this Major Dodridge?'

'Yes, sir.'

'Of the Eighth Arkansaw during the war?'

'Yes,' beginning to look with interest at the stranger.

'Don't you remember me, Major?'

'No, I can't place you.'

'Take a look at me,' shoving back his hat.

'Don't remember that I ever saw you before.'

'I am Hank Parsons!' exclaimed the man, bracing himself as though he expected the Major to rush into his arms.

'Don't recall the name,' said the Major.

'Is it possible? I did not think you would ever forget me. I'll refresh your memory. At Shiloh, while the battle was raging in murderous fury, I found you lying on the field shot through both legs. I took you on my back and carried you to a spring in the shade. Now don't you recollect me?'

'Let me see,' mused the Major. 'I remember having been wounded, but I cannot recall the fact, if it be a fact, of any one taking me to a spring.'

'This is indeed strange,' said the disappointed man. 'I looked forward to meeting you with such anticipations of a warm greeting. Well, well, the world has indeed reached its ungrateful age. The occurrence is as fresh to my mind as though it had taken place yesterday. I gave you a drink of whiskey and—'

'What!' exclaimed the Major, springing to his feet. 'Gave me a drink of whiskey! Oh, yes, I remember that drink! The whiskey was so new that corn meal was floating round in it, but we enjoyed it. Remember you! Why, I should cavort. Why didn't you guard against possible embarrassments by mentioning some of the main features of the occurrence?'—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

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And remain, through all bewild'ring,
Innocent and honest children.

Happy hearts and happy faces,
Happy play in grassy places.
That was how, in ancient ages,
Children grew to kings and sages.

But the unkind and the unruly
And the sort who sat unduly,
They must never hope for glory.
Theirs is quite a different story.

Cruel children, crying babies,
All grow up as geese and gabies,
Hated, as their age increases,
By their nephews and their nieces.

R. L. Steverson in the Magazine of Art.

"SAUCY JACK" AND THE MONKEY.

(An Old Sailor's Yarn.)

BY DAVID KER IN GOLDEN DAYS.

'When we was a-cruisin' in the old Britannia off the west coast of Afrikey,' said old Jack Davitt, as we sat together at the door of his snug little cottage over-looking the sea,' we had a little shaver aboard as we used to call 'Saucy Jack.' He didn't know what fear was, that boy didn't; and as for bein' angry with him, you couldn't,do it, not if you had a heart as a thirty-two-pound. He'd a way o' lookin' up in your face so bright and confident-like with them clear blue eyes of his (as if he was quite sure you wouldn't hurt him) that you *felt* you couldn't, afore he ever spoke a word.

'Fact, he was a regular pet with every man on board, officers and all; and if he *was* a little mischievous now and again, nobody liked to be hard on him, and that after he'd once got rid of his boyish ways, he'd make as smart a sailor as ever handled a sheet. But at last he got into a real bad scrape, and this was the way it happened:

'You see, Jack was a tip-top hand at imitating folks, just like a play-actor; and you would think the very folks themselves was there, talkin' and steppin' about, only to look at him. At last, one fine day, nothing would serve him but he must try and and touch off the captain; and he had him to the very life, givin' his orders, with his head thrown back and one arm stuck out like the handle of a teapot. I was a-laughin' at it like the rest, when all at once I saw two or three of them start and look awfully scared; and when I turned around, there stood the captain himself, as large as life, and lookin' like a nor-east gale just afore it busts!

'Now, our captain was a smart sea-man, and a right good fellow in his way; but he was rather one o' your high-and-mighty sort, and the bare thought of anybody *laughing* at him was enough to drive him clean crazy. So you may think how he felt, and how *we* all felt, too, when we saw him standin' there.

'"Go up the foremasthead, you young whelp, and stay there until I call you down,' says he, through his clinched teeth; 'and when you come down again, I'll have something ready for you that you won't forget in a hurry.'

'Up went poor Jack dismally enough, and the captain went aft again to his cabin. But when he got there, he soon had something else to think about.

'I should tell you that the captain had a pet of his own, and that was a little gray monkey, as active and mischievous as Saucy Jack himself. It and Jack were great friends, and they were always a-playin' and a-skylarkin' together; but at last the monkey got so rampageous that the captain tied it up, and only let it loose now and then.

'It happened to be loose that day, however, and the minute the captain's back was turned, up jumps Mr. Monkey, grabs the captain's gold watch off the table, and away up the main riggin' with it like a flash o' lightnin'!

'"Five pounds to any man that will get me that watch back!' he sings out at the top of his voice.

'But not a man stirred; for we all knew well enough that when the beast saw us coming up to try to catch him, the first thing he would do would be to chuck the watch overboard. In the meantime, the monkey, having perched himself on the main-top-gallant yard, began holding the watch to his ear for to listen to its ticking and then he would give it a knock against the wood as if to stop its noise, and then hold it to his ear again, grinning and making sitch faces all the time that we could hardly help laughing. But as for the captain, he looked just as if he'd fly in bits on the spot.

'Just then Saucy Jack—whom everybody had clean forgotten—sings out from the foremasthead:

'Shall *I* get that thing for your honor?'

'"Do, my boy,' cries the captain, quite eager like.

'The words warn't well out of his mouth when Jack was swinging himself along from mast to mast by the running stay, like a spider on a thread.

'When the monkey saw his chum a-coming he began chattering and grinning like anything as much as to say, 'Now there'll be some fun.' For, d'y see, Jack and he used to play ball with rolled-up bits of rope-yarn, and seeing Jack coming along, he thought there was going to be a game at ball.

'And so there was, sure enough, and a precious queer one, too. Jack got astride of the yard, and worked himself along till he came pretty close to the beast; and then he threw it a bit of biscuit, which just missed, and went rattling down on the deck. Then, Mr. Monkey, having nothing else to throw back, threw the captain's watch!

'Little Jack caught it as neatly as if he was playing cricket; but in doing it he lost his balance, and the next moment he was swinging head downward in the empty air, hanging by his feet!

'We all cried out at once, like so many madmen, and in a moment the whole crew were half-way up the rigging to try and save him. But he didn't need much saving, *he* didn't. Before any of us could get near him he'd swung himself up on to the yard again, and slid down one of the stays as cool as could be, with the watch—which he'd never lost hold of—crammed into his mouth for safety.

'The minute he touched the deck, he went straight up to the captain with the watch in his hand, and he says to him:

'"I'm sorry I made fun of your honor, and if you like to punish me for it you can; I ain't a-going to shirk my share.'

'"I'll be shot if I do!' cried the captain, clapping him on the shoulder. 'Here's your five pounds, my boy, and right well you've earned them; and I'll never forget what you've done for me to-day.'

'And he *didn't* forget it, and the end of that job was—'

But just at that point Jack's yarn was interrupted by a deep hoarse shout that came rolling up to us from the town below:

'Hurrah for Admiral Corbett! Hurrah for Captain Brown!'

'What is all that?' asked I, springing to my feet.

'What's all that, d'ye say?' answered old Jack, with a jolly laugh; 'why, it's the end of my yarn, that's what it is. Admiral Corbett's our old captain of the Britannia, and Captain Brown, his greatest chum, is Saucy Jack.'

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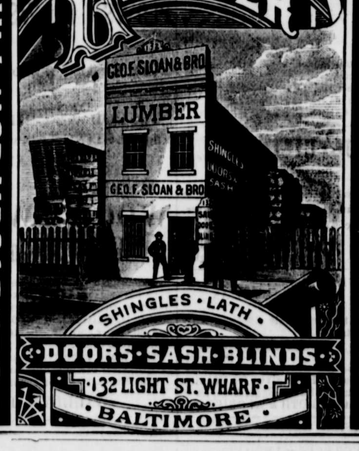
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