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 ancien proverb.*

RECIPROCITY.

Think not the girl you love, loves not;
She loves, depend upon it;
With willing heart she'll share your lot—
If there's a building on it.
—*Life.*

'No,' said an old lady, 'I'm not one to talk about my neighbors, or say anything behind their backs. Now there is Mrs. Brown, she who lives over in the corner house. I may not like her very well, still that's no reason I should run her down. But I do feel miserable sorry for poor Mr. Brown and the children.—*Anon.*

Doctor—'You see, wifey, dear, I have pulled my patient through, after all. A very critical case, I can tell you.'

His wife—'Yes, dear hubby: but then you are so clever in your profession. Ah! if I had only known you five years earlier I feel certain my first husband—my poor Thomas—would have been saved!'—*Anon.*

Young wife—'Why, Charlie, what have you gone and bought a dog for?'

Young husband—'Ah—um, my dear, you know we can't eat everything that comes on the table—no family can.'

'Young wife—'Oh, Charlie! (crying) I knew you wouldn't like my cooking. Oh, dear, dear!'

Young husband—'There, there! don't cry; I'll sell the dog.'—*Burlington Free Press.*

'This chicken does not seem very tender,' ventured one of the boarders to the landlady.

'Oh, yes, it must be!' she replied. I raised it myself in my own yard.'

'Tender?' interposed Dumley; 'if you had seen this chicken as I have seen it, extending its motherly protection to its little ones and tenderly shielding them from every danger, you would think twice before saying it isn't tender.'

After dinner Dumley received a polite note to the effect that he must either pay something on account or vacate his room at the end of the week.—*Anon.*

'What do you do when people come in and bore you?' a warm personal friend asked of a merchant.

'When they stay too long the office boy, who is very bright and knows just when to interfere tells me that a gentleman is in the counting room waiting to see me on important business.'

'Ha! ha! That's a capital way to get rid of bores who don't know—'

Just then the boy opened the door and sang out:

'Gent in the countin' room waitin' to see you on important business.'—*Anon.*

An escaped inmate of the Concord Summer School of Philosophy, finding himself at large, fled to the West, and lectured in Cheyenne on the 'Exceeding Thingness of the Here.'

'Simple psychological phenomena,' he said, 'the intellectual activities of mental faculties, as distinguished from inanimate forces of nature, or the irrational impulse of——'

And here the audience arose and drove him forth. They were plain, simple folk, they said, but no man could come down from Boston and use such language as that in a room full of ladies—*Anon.*

Diners-out are jealous of one another. Mr. Hayward was frequently scandalously attacked and figures as Venom Tuft in Samuel Warren's 'Ten Thousand a Year.' Now, Mr. Warren himself was not exempt from the charge of liking great people. There is a bar story told of him that once, when sitting in court by the side of a brother barrister, he said to him:

'I must go now, Davison, as I am going to dine with Lord Lyndhurst.'

'So am I,' said Davison.

Warren looked disconcerted, but went out of court and quickly came in again and said to Davison:

'When I said I was going to dine with Lord Lyndhurst I was joking.'

'Well,' said Davison, 'so was I.'—*Argonaut.*

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Mrs. Minks—'There it goes again. That man Jinks has been nominated for another office, and that odious Mrs. Jinks will hold her head higher than ever.'

Mr. Minks—'Yes; he is sure to be elected.'

'Like as not; and here we are plodding along just the same as before. I'm sure that Jinks is no smarter than you are.'

'He is a regular ignoramus.'

'I thought so, and yet he goes right up and makes money while you can hardly keep body and soul together.'

'Well, my dear, you see he is a successful politician.

'Then why in the world don't you become a successful politician, too?'

'Because you would never allow it.'

'Never allow it, indeed! What did I ever do to prevent you from getting nice offices at big salar. ?'

'You took away my night key.'—*Anon.*

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'Would six or eight dollars be enough?' asked the gentleman.

'Yes, eight would be enough. You see I'm in tuff luck. First I was drowned out in Cincinnati and lost every dollar I had in the world; then the Chicago fire and I barely escaped with a pair of silk drawers and my Sunday coat. After this the war robbed me of four fifteen-hundred dollar buck negroes and eighty bales of picked cotton, an' jest as I was getting on my feet again, and had a few thousand dollars in bank, I took sick with Asiatic cholera and died—at least my wife died—and the money all went to the doctors, that is, the doctors went for the money—but they didn't get it—an' if you could lend me ten cents stranger I'll return it to you day after to-morrow at half-past 12.'—*Anon.*

GREENVILLE, CALIFORNIA.—Mr. Harry Williams certifies under his notarial seal that Mrs. A. Williams was suffering with pains in the back, so severe she was unable to turn and was delirious. When the case assumed an alarming stage, one application of St. Jacobs Oil was made, externally, after several remedies had been tried and failed. The patient slept soundly until morning and got up entirely cured.

A gentleman who owns a fine tract of cedar land not far from Austin, Texas, a few days ago was told that some negroes were cutting down the timber; so he rode out to see about it. To his astonishment he found a wealthy white neighbor, with a team and wagon, hauling off the timber.

'Why, I am astonished, Colonel,' said the owner of the land; 'I heard that a lot of negroes were stealing my timber, and here I find you, a white man, cutting my timber. You ought to be ashamed of yourself.'

'Well, to tell the truth,' responded the other party, 'I do hate to steal timber like a darkey, but these cedar trees make such bully fence rails that I concluded to drop all pride of race.'—*Siftings.*

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One of the oldest citizens of Marblehead, Mass. is Mr. Ezekiel Russell, who, when a boy, distinguished himself in a curious manner. The time was on Sunday, the 3d of April, (1814 when our grandfathers and great-grandfathers were at war with England. The British fleet was off Marblehead, and the people were preparing to defend the town. Bells were rung, drums were beaten, and the hills around the harbor were thick with people flocking in from the surrounding country. By-and-by a shout went up. Under full canvas, running between the British ships and the shore, came the frigate Constitution, familiar to the young folks of more than one generation as 'Old Ironsides.' But why was not the American flag at the top of her flag-pole? On she came and dropped anchor in the harbor of Marblehead. Little Russell—or Zeke, as he was then called—was on the shore when the captain's gig landed. 'Can you climb, little man?' asked an officer. 'Yes,' was the reply; and they took the lad on board the Constitution. He climbed with a sailor to the foot of the flag-pole, and 'shinned up' the pole to the top—the sailor holding it, meanwhile. The pole was not thick enough to bear a man's weight, but the little lad could climb it. He untangled the ropes, fixed the halyards so that they would work, and then slipped down the pole. Up went the Stars and Stripes, and the crowds on the shore cheered. When the boy reached the deck he was asked what he would like as a reward, and he replied 'Bread.' His mother was a poor woman who made her living by knitting and spinning, and he made her happy that day by lugging home a basket of the ships bread. The British fleet sailed away that afternoon, and the bells which had rung to arms in the morning called the people of Marblehead to church that very evening.

On the farm of Mr. Peter Gow, of Dutton, near Toronto, Canada, there stands a very tall tree, in the topmost boughs of which is an eagle's eyrie. Several boys belonging in the town of Dutton tried to buy the nest, with its three fledgeling eagles, but Mr. Gow refused to part with the birds at any price. So the boys took a wrong step in the matter; they decided to go to the tree at night and to carry off the young eagles. One evening after dark the boys appeared at the foot of the tree. The boldest lad in the party was equipped for climbing. On his ankles were pikes, such as are used by the telegraph linemen, and around him was buckled a stout strap to serve him in his perilous undertaking. The young climber clambered up the bare trunk of the tree for a distance of about sixty feet, and was nearly under the nest when his strap slipped and fell. Then the youth found himself in a predicament. He couldn't go higher, nor could he descend without the aid of the strap. The boys at the foot of the tree were unable to assist him in any way. Various plans were suggested, but none availed. Meanwhile, the climber was holding on as best he could. The boys were in a scrape, and the quickest way out of it was to throw themselves upon the mercy of the good farmer. They ran to his house, and Mr. Gow was not slow to act. Forgetting how the boys had meant to treat him, he ran to the barn, got a long rope, and was soon at the tree. But how could the rope be sent up? That question was speedily solved. The climber tore his clothing into strips, tied the pieces together and let his line down. The rope was tied to the line and drawn up. Then the exhausted boy came down the tree, and the adventure was at an end. As for the eagles, they were still at their eyrie, at last accounts.

Topsy was the name of a pet crow owned by the little daughter of a gentleman in Boston. The little girl, who is not much more than four years old, was kept busy feeding Topsy. Indeed, the crow, like most of its species, was a glutton and ate ravenously anything that was offered to it. Around the house was a driveway covered with small white pebbles. On a recent occasion the parents of the child were amused to see her feeding Topsy with the pebbles. Topsy would throw back its head, open wide its capacious mouth, and into it the little one would drop a pebble. With the gulping, gurgling sound peculiar to crows while eating, down would go a pebble, and the greedy bird would clamor for more. 'You must not do that,' said the father, little thinking how long the strange meal had lasted. 'Topsy likes 'em, papa,' said the child; and her father thought no more of the matter. Topsy did not appear at the next meal time; and on the following day the crow was found dead. An examination revealed the fact that the creature had swallowed almost a quart of pebbles, in attempting to digest which the luckless bird had died.

Last month, during a violent storm, a schoolhouse near Sioux Falls, in Dakota, was lifted from its foundation stones and turned around. At the time, the building was occupied by a lady teacher and about twenty pupils, mostly little girls. The teacher told the children to kneel and pray, and most of them did as she directed. But one girl, the smallest in the school, provoked a smile, even at that terrifying moment, by saying: 'Let's wait a little while, for there may be a way out of this yet.' Fortunately, no one was hurt, and when the wind had lulled the children went home to tell of their marvelous escape.

Among the many cats at Richmond Switch, in Connecticut, is one which has earned the nickname of 'The Fire-puss.' Not that the heroic tabby of Richmodd Switch is particularly fond of fire, but it seems that she distinguished herself during the burning of her master's house one night last May. At the time of the outbreak of the fire, her family of kittens were in the attic. She took the alarm about the time the other inmates were aroused, and at once began to rescue her kittens. She brought the first one out of harm's way and returned for another, which also was rescued without getting its fur singed. But there were two more up stairs, and the flames were mounting high. What should she do? To hesitate was to lose two precious kittens, and so, plunging into the thick smoke and darting forks of fire, she disappeared. A few moments passed, and then the 'fire-puss' bounded out with the two other kittens, holding both by the back of the neck. The mother-cat was singed, and the little heroes of the thrilling adventure had lost some of their fur, but all were alive, and the next day were well.

There is a young chimpanzee at Central Park, New York, and an effort is being made to acclimate it that it can live in this part of the world. Crowley is the name of the chimpanzee, which has become a pet with its attendant. The little animal's hands are well-shaped, and the finger-nails are kept trimmed. The feet are perfect from the big to the little toe. It has two rows of pearly teeth, and its brown eyes are human in their varying expression. When the chimpanzee is pleased, they dance and beam with joy; when it is vexed, they fill with tears. When the keeper opens the door of the cage, the chimpanzee throws its arms about his neck and coos contentedly. The keeper takes his charge out into the park on warm days, and the little animal walks gravely by his side, enjoying the sunshine. It likes to hold the keeper's hand, and sometimes sobs as if its heart would break when the keeper pretends to desert it.

Two baby jaguars are owned by a man in New York, to whom they were sent from Yucatan. They were discovered by a hunter in a thick jungle The hunter was about to bear the kittens off in bloodless triumph, when their mother leaped from a clump of bushes and fought to regain them. After a desperate struggle the grown jaguar was killed and the rare prizes were sent to New York. The young jaguars are now about the size of full-grown house cats, and they are even more playful than the ordinary kitten.

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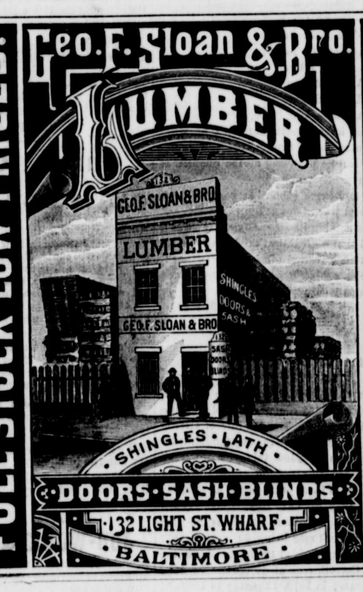
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Massey's	7 58	3 22
Delanys	8 12	3 35
*Bingham	8 27	3 45
arr Clayton	8 40	4 00
leave "	8 51	4 25
" Middletown	9 14	4 55
" Wilmington	9 51	5 50
arr Philadelphia	10 40	6 50
Baltimore	12 35	8 32

GOING SOUTH.	Passenger & Freight No. 2 daily	Passenger No. 4 Tues'd's, Thurs'd's & Saturd's
LEAVE	A. M.	P. M.
New York		
Baltimore	6 35	12 10
Philadelphia	7 31	3 00
Wilmington	8 35	3 50
Middletown	9 34	4 31
arr Clayton	10 02	4 52
leave "	11 17	4 55
" Binghams*	11 30	5 05
Delanys	11 40	5 10
Massey's	11 55	5 25
Lambson	12 10	5 35
Blacks	12 25	5 45
Kennedyville	12 40	5 55
Still Pond	12 50	6 02
Lynches	12 55	6 07
Worton	1 05	6 12
arr Chestertown	1 20	6 30
	p. m.	p. m.

Stations marked thus (*) have no agents.
Freight for Delanys and Bingham's must be prepaid.
The morning trains make connection at Clayton with the Delaware Railroad going North and South.
Passengers on morning train for Baltimore change at Wilmington.
Freight carried at low rates to all points and must be at Stations 30 minutes before starting time, in order to insure dispatch.
Excursion Tickets issued at reduced rates
FRED. GERKER,
Oct. 23, 1884 Lessee.

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Hickory, Oak and Pine.
THE subscriber has purchased 1000 cor 1s of the very best seasoned Oak, Hickory and Pine that has been in this market for some time, and is selling it, delivered, at $5.00 per cord for oak, and $6.00 per cord for hickory; wood sawed and split to order.
This Wood has all been culled over; 1sfull length, clear of knots and small sticks.
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Nov. 22, 1883.

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Worton, Md.

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WILLIAM PERKINS.
March 8, 1883.

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