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.*

It is easier for a woman to return a kindness than a copper-bottomed preserve kettle.—*Puck.*

It is said that 'a man is a fool or a physician at forty.' Some are both before they are twenty.—*Puck.*

Mistress (to amiable servant maid)—'I am going to go to the theatre this evening, so I shall probably be home late.'

Amiable maid—'Oh, you needn't apologize to me for that.'—*Fliegende Blatter.*

It is said that American babies swallow 1,500 thimbles annually. This may account for the surprising amount of brass noticed in the composition of the grown-up American baby.—*Boston Transcript.*

'You are opposed to the use of slang, then, Jennie?' he said. 'Well, I should twitter!' she replied, and then he knew that he must not use slang any more in her presence.—*Somerville Journal.*

Some one asks why women button their clothes from left to right. While we are on this topic we should like to inquire why men button their clothes with pins and shingle nails. That would be a more interesting subject to investigate.—*Graphic*

Alonzo Moore, of Cumberland, Penn., put on an old pair of summer trousers and found the right pocket unusually heavy. He put in his hand and drew out a black snake three feet long. Ladies who are in the habit of going through their husband's pockets whenever they get a chance should make a note of this.—*Call.*

'I want to see Mr. Cleveland,' said a hungry office-seeker to the attendant.

'The Governor is very busy just now,' was the reply.

'I suppose he is. But you tell him that a gentleman is outside waiting to see him who is one of the identical 1,077 that defeated Blaine.'—*Chicago News.*

George was unusually chirpy.

'I guess the old gentleman won't kick me very much to-night,' he said.

'Why?' she asked.

'I've got a can of dynamite in my coat-tail pocket.'

'But, does papa know it?'

'By Jove no; I never thought of that.'—*Anon.*

A return to the old-time simplicity of Washington would bring back silver buckles, silk breeches, ruffled bosomed shirts, powdered wigs, cocked hats and other ridiculous trumpery, finery and nonsense aped from the courts of the Old World. The gentleman who wants a Jeffersonian inauguration should think of the fuss and feathers from which a progressive nation has escaped.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

Once the late Judge Black, in examining a witness who had been in the army, said.

'Come, soldier, tell us what you know of this matter.'

'I am no soldier; I am an officer,' haughtily responded the witness.

Whereupon the old lawyer calmly said:

'Well, then, officer who is no soldier, tell us what you know.'

The vain fellow was crushed.'—*Anon.*

Government of India.

Mr. E. A. Pereira, Head inspector of Post Offices, Calcutta, India, issues a card certifying to the instantaneous relief afforded by St. Jacobs Oil, in the Campbell Hospital, where its use was advised by the medical officers in serious cases of throat troubles and other painful ailments.

Josiah Benson, a large manufacturer, took into his office a nephew, who, to put it mildly, was rather feeble-minded. One day the nephew came to his uncle and complained of the head clerk, Jones.

'Uncle, what do you suppose that clerk Jones has been telling people about me?'

'I have no idea.'

'He has been telling everybody that I am a fool.'

'I will see him about it and tell him to keep quiet about it. He has no right to expose the secrets of the office.'—*Siftings.*

Children grow up fat when fed on bread and biscuits made with Drew's East Powder.

Dec. 4—4t.

Mr. Noodle was a great bore to all the girls of his acquaintance, and he knew he had the reputation of being a fool but thought one girl in particular held to a different opinion. One evening he was talking to her.

'Miss Susie,' he said 'you know all the girls think I'm a fool.'

'Yes, Mr. Noodle, I've heard them say so.'

'And they think Harry Alderney is one too, don't they?'

'I've heard them say so, Mr. Noodle.'

'Now, Miss Susie, I have every confidence in your judgment, and you don't think I'm as big a fool as he is, do you?'

'No, Mr. Noodle, I don't, for Mr. Alderney weighs at least two hundred and you are not nearly so large as that.'

Noodle picked up his gloves and hat and went out without saying good-night.—*Merchant-Traveler.*

"I Don't Feel Like Work."

It makes no difference what business you are engaged in; whether you are a preacher, a merchant, a mechanic, a lawyer or a common laborer, you can't do your work well while you are half sick. Thousands try to, but all in vain. How much better to keep your organs in good order by taking Parker's Tonic when you feel "a little out of sorts." It would be money in your pocket. One hour of good, rejoicing health is worth half a dozen hours full of languor and pain. Dec. 4—4t.

The pay-train stopped at Willow Bend to pay the railroad hands and to liquidate claims for cattle in that section. A guant, hungry-looking granger stepped up to the smart young man who was dispensing the cash at the rear end of the car.

'Got my name on yer books, Mister?'

'How should I know unless you told me your name?'

'Kerrect you are. You have got the edge on me there. Well, my name is Rufus McConkey.'

'Yes,' said the young man, referring to his books: 'Mr. McConkey, I have got you down for a hog.'

'Have me down for a hog, have you? Well, I'll have you down for a half an hour, and I'll be on top of you, makin' it sorter excitin' to you if you don't revise that expression. Now, say after me: "Colonel McConkey, school trustee, Fourth district—Your name, sir, is on this here list, as a bonoy fider creditor of the I. and G. N. railroad, which the amount are $10.00, the vally of one spotted Berkshire hog; said amount of $10, it do me proud to hand to you. Won't you have a cigar, Colonel?"'

The smart young assistant paymaster repeated after Mr. McConkey word for word, handed Mr. McConkey the ten dollars and then gave him a cigar. Colonel McConkey put the hammer of his six-shooter back to half-cock, and strode out, muttering: 'Some city chaps think they're smart, but they'll find they has to come out on the peraries to learn perliteness and grammar.'—*Siftings.*

How he Got a Position.

'I applied for a position in a banking house in Wall street six months ago, and although I proved my competency, they would not take me I had been down on my luck and looked old and shabby. An idea struck me. I got up a new growth of hair with Parker's Hair Balsam, raised a decent suit of clothes, applied again, and they took me in a minute.' So writes a clerk with $2,000 salary. The moral is plain. Parker's Hair Balsam gives a person a new face.

Dec. 4—4t.

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

The Crown Prince of Russia.

Grand-duke Nicholas was born May 18, 1868, at Czarskoe Selo (Czar's village), an imperial summer palace, fifteen miles south of St. Petersburg. This spacious palace stands upon the Neva bank, over two hundred feet above the water, and is surrounded by extensive grounds so perfectly kept that you hardly find even a dead leaf upon the lawns.

Crown princes have so much to learn that they must begin early and lose no time. Until his ninth year the education of the young Grandduke was superintended by Madame de Flotow, one of the ladies of honor who had followed the Princess Dagmar from Denmark to Russia. In 1877 the charge was given to Lieutenant-General Danilovitch, who has arranged the Prince's hours of instruction in accordance with those of the military gymnasiums. His regular lessons are from eight in the morning till three in the afternoon, but with such intermissions that they never exceed five hours a day. His afternoons are spent in walks with the Emperor, or in outdoor sports,—riding, swimming, fishing, fencing, gymnastics,—of all of which he is very fond; and his evenings are devoted to preparing for next day's lessons, reading and keeping a diary. He is an excellent scholar and linguist; enters into his studies with much spirit, and speaks fluently Russian, Danish, French, German and English.—The crown princess of England and Germany may study if they like at the universities, but the heir of Russia must be educated by private tutors.

Last May, upon his sixteenth birthday, the day on which the Prince became of age, he renewed his oath of adherence to the orthodox church, the ceremonies taking place in the chapel of the Winter Palace at St. Petersburg. As heir to the Russian throne, he accompanied the Emperor and Empress to their recent meeting with the sovereigns of Germany and Austria.

In person the Prince is slight and delicately formed, with fair complexion and auburn hair; and he usually wears a sailor costume, which suits his slender figure. He is a member of the Preobrajensky (Transfiguration) Guard, the famous regiment founded by Peter the Great; and by birth he is Attaman (chief) of all the Cossacks of the empire. It's his privilege to wear the uniform of any regiment he pleases.—*Edna Dean Proctor in the Christmas St. Nicholas.*

The Pied Piper of Hameln.

Few old stories are more popular than that of the Pied Piper of Hameln, and it is likely that most readers are familiar with it. The substance of it is that the town of Hameln, in Hanover, Germany, was so overrun with rats that the people were much troubled by them.

The Pied Piper agreed to destroy the rats, and they followed him to a stream of water, in which they were all drowned. But the Hameln people refused to pay him, as they had agreed, and, in revenge, he led all the children in Hameln away, and they went into an opening in the side of a mountain.

All except one little cripple were shut in the mountain.

The wonderful event was said to have occurred in the year 1284. A few weeks ago the six hundredth anniversary of the Pied Piper's tragedy was celebrated at Hameln. The town was gaily decked with flags and busts of Hunold the rat-catcher, while the bakers sold cakes shaped as rats. Then the scene of 1284 was rehearsed.

The Piper came forth, clad in a brown jerkin and a scarlet hat, trimmed with feathers. He played on his pipe, and the Hameln children, to the number of two hundred, came forth, disguised as rats. They looked very funny walking along like so many rats after the fantastic Piper.

Next day the second part was performed.—Again the Piper piped his magic strains, and one hundred and thirty children, clad in ancient costume, followed him into a cleft, purposely made in a hillside; but, unlike the little folks of the year 1284, they were snug in bed soon after dark.

The Rook.

This bird is not very well known in America because he is an English bird. But he is very much like the crow, which our farmer boys know so well.

Rooks live in colonies, many thousands going off together and building their nests in the tops of neighboring trees.

In these bird-towns or rookeries, there seem to be certain laws which all the birds understand and obey. One of these laws is that no rook shall build a nest within the limits of the town except those born there; and another forbids the younger rooks from going out of town to build.

If any bird disobeys these laws, the other birds promptly tear down his nest and drive him back to his native town.

They are also said to hold courts for the trial of offenders. The birds assemble upon a few trees, the guilty one sitting by himself, with drooping head, and after much croaking and flying hither and thither, which we may imagine is their way of examining the witnesses, and hearing the pleas of advocates, the charge of the judge and the verdict of the jury, the birds fall upon the culprit, and execute the sentence of death, or whatever the penalty may be.

A GENTLEMAN of this city owns a dog of remarkable sagacity. He has been owned ever since he was a puppy by a gentleman who is a member of the Catholic Church, and who does not, therefore, have meat brought to his house on Friday. This the dog soon discovered, as he did also the fact that the next door neighbor was not an observer of this ancient custom. Every Friday for years the sagacious canine would ignore the food given him by his master and make a friendly visit to his Protestant neighbor, who never failed to supply him with meat. These weekly visits were kept up regularly for years, the dog never failing winter or summer to put in an appearance at the neighbor's on the day his master failed to supply him with meat. Recently the family owning the dog moved to a remote part of the city, but the following Friday, faithful to his custom in the past, the dog appeared at the home of his old neighbor and made his mute appeal for dinner. He is still a good Catholic dog six days in the week, but every Friday he turns Protestant long enough to feast on meat.—*Kansas City Star.*

SINCE crocodiles and alligators have supplied leather merchants and manufacturers with their skins, in order to satisfy a freak of fashion, they have been hunted and destroyed to such a degree that American traders are casting anxious glances towards the once happy hunting grounds on the Mississippi, from which the cuirassed game is rapidly vanishing. The practical Yankee, however, is not to be beaten by either crocodiles or alligators, and where once the crocodile frolicked in freedom it is now kept in inclosures, where it grows and multiplies apace. Crocodile farms are becoming common. The largest animals are killed and skinned, their flesh being used to feed their hungry descendants. That these breeding places are of no mean dimensions is shown by the fact that the owners of one of them supplied a tanner at St. Louis during the current year with no less than 5,000 alligator skins.—*Pall Mall Budget.*

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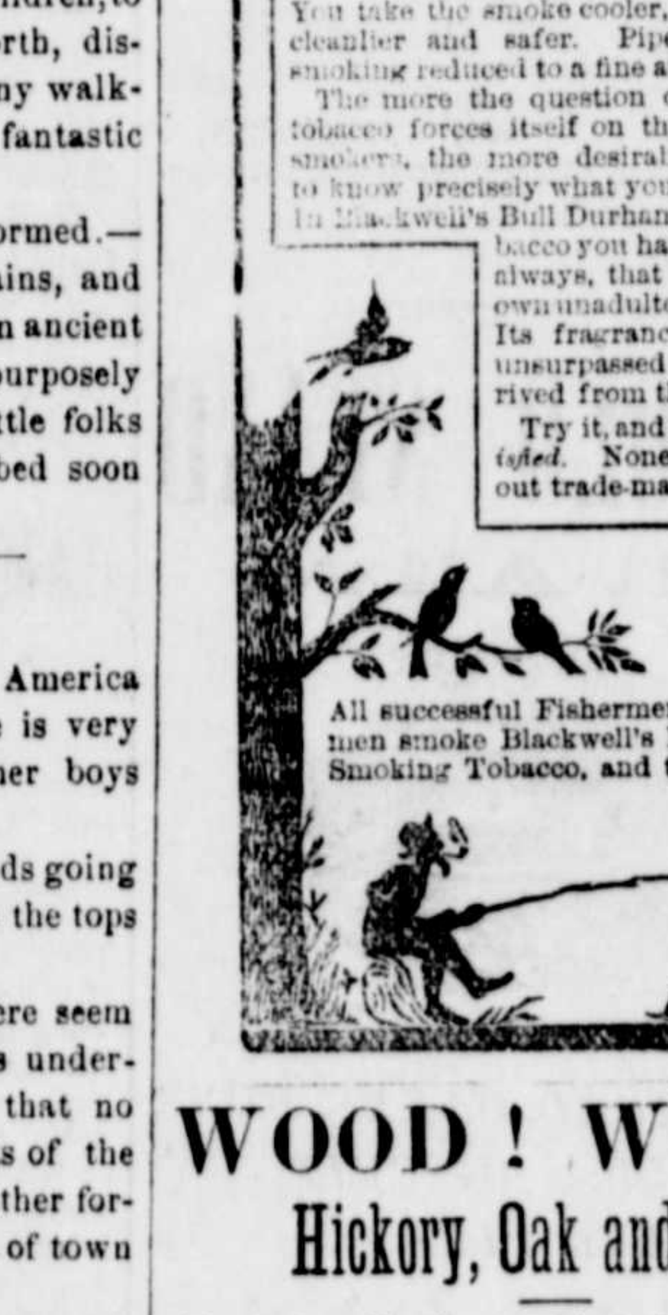
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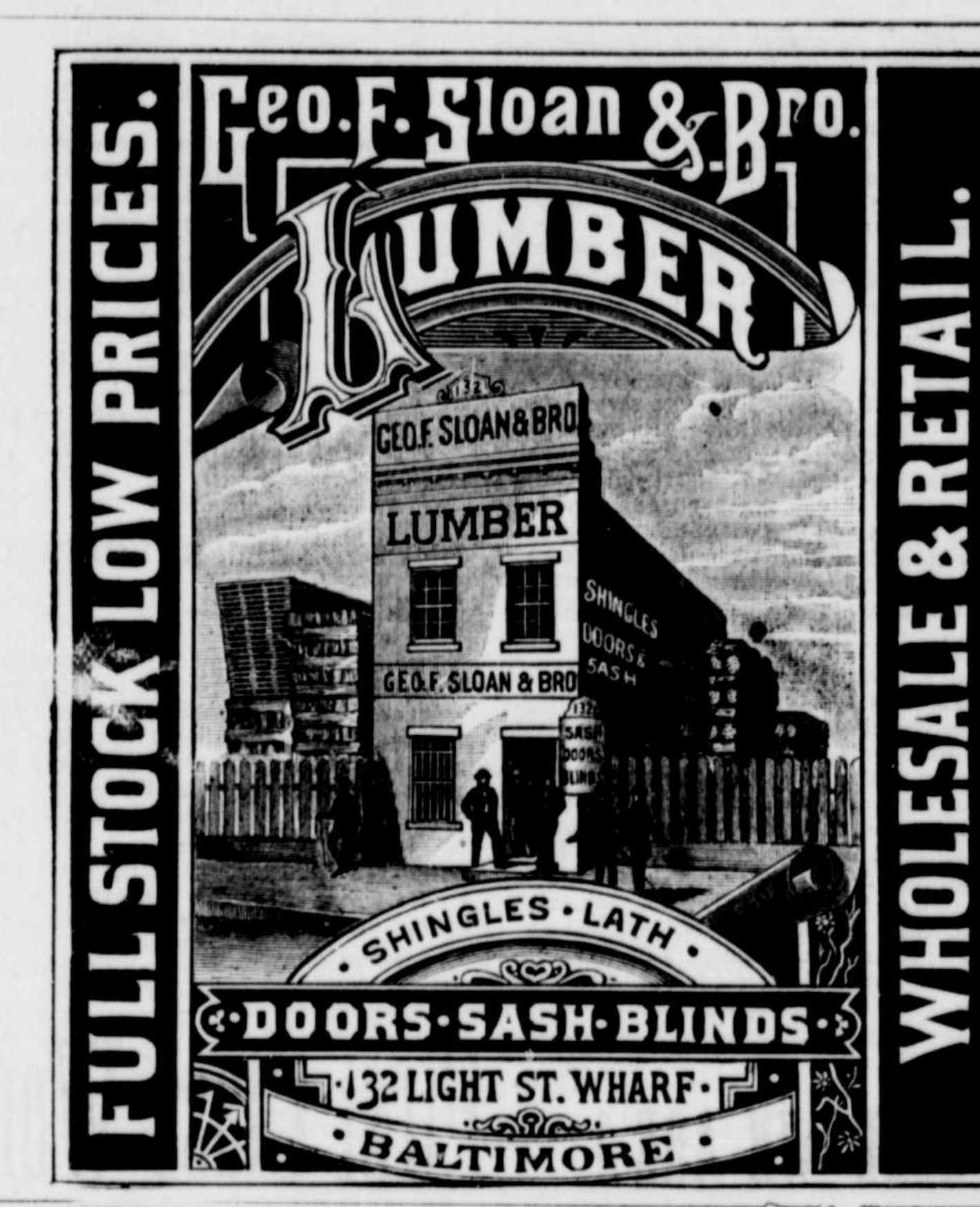
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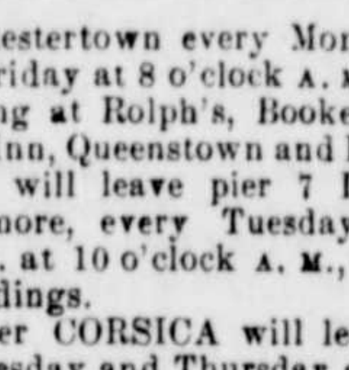
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Masseys	7 58	3 22
Delanys	8 12	3 25
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Delanys	11 40	5 10
Masseys	11 55	5 25
Lambson	12 10	5 35
Blacks	12 25	5 45
Kennedyville	12 40	5 55
Still Pond	12 50	6 02
Lynchs	12 55	6 07
Worton	1 05	6 12
arr Chestertown	1 20	6 30
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