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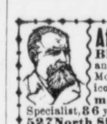

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The great big church wuz crowded full uv broadcloth and uv silk,
An' satins rich as cream that grows on our ol' brindle's milk;
Shined boots, biled shirts, stiff collars an' stovepipe hats were there,
An' dudes with trouserloons so tight they couldn't kneel in prayer.

The elder in his poolpit high said, as he slowly riz:
"Our organist is kept to hum laid up 'ith roomatiz,
An' as we hev no substitoot, as Brother Moore ain't here,
Will some un in the congregation be so kind's to volunteer?"

An' then a red-nosed, drunken tramp of low-toned, rowdy style,
Gave an introductory hiccup, an then staggered up the aisle,
Then thro' that holy atmosphere there crep' a sense er sin,
An' thro' that air of sanctity the odor uv ol' gin.

Then Deacon Purington he yelled—his teeth all sot on edge:
"This man purfanes the house of God! W'y this is sacrilecge!
The tramp didn' hear a word he said, but slouched 'ith stumblin' feet,
An' sprawled an' staggered up the steps, an' gained the organ seat.

He then went pawin' through the keys, an soon there rose a strain
That seemed to 'jest bulge out the heart an 'lectrify the brain;
An' then he slapped down on the thing 'ith hands an' head an' knees,
He slam-dashed his hull body down kerflop upon the keys.

The organ roared, the music flood went swoopin' high an' dry,
It swelled into the rafters, and bulged out into the sky;
The ol' church shook an' staggered an' seemed to reel an' sway,
An' the elder shouted "Glory!" an' I yelled out "Hooray!"

An' then he tried a tender strain that melted in our ears,
That brought up blessed memories an' drenched 'em down 'ith tears;
An' we dreamed of ol' time kitchens 'ith Tabby on the mat,
Uv home an' luv an' baby days, an' mother 'an all that.

And then he struck a streak uv hope—a song from souls forgiven—
That burst from prison bars uv sin an stormed the gates of Heaven;
The mornin' stars they sung together—no soul was left alone—
We felt the universe wuz safe, 'an God wuz on his throne.

An' then a wail uv deep despair an' darkness come again,
An' long black crape hung on the doors uv all the homes uv men;
No luv, no light, no joy, no hope, no songs uv glad delight,
An then—the tramp he staggered down an reeled into the night.

But we knew he'd tol' his story, tho' he never spoke a w
An' it wuz the saddest story that our ears had ever heard;
He hed told his own life history, an' no eye wuz dry that day,
W'en the elder rose and simply said: "My brethren, let us pray."

SHERLOCK HOLMES KNIGHTED.

At the last meeting of the Authors' Club in London, the special guests were the men of letters who had received the honor of knighthood in the distribution of coronation prizes. During the course of the evening, Dr. A. Conan Doyle (who, though he accepted the title of a Sir Knight, prefers to be known as heretofore) told the assembled company an amusing story as to the manner in which he was informed of the coronation honor. He received a bill from his gunsmith, a sober and respected London tradesman, addressed to "Sir Sherlock Holmes." The author was exceedingly indignant and wrote to say that henceforth he would withdraw his custom from the firm. The next morning, when he entered the hall of his hotel, he saw the most melancholy man he had ever seen in his life. The man approached him and said:

"I am the unfortunate man who wrote the letter. It was I, sir, who made out the bill."

And then the man assured the author that he had done so in perfect good faith, that he had always understood that when gentlemen took titles they changed their names, and that he had seen in an evening paper that Dr. Conan Doyle was going to take the title of Sir Sherlock Holmes. Dr. Doyle promptly requested the firm to reinstate the unhappy clerk, saying that he forgave him and thought they could do as much.

SUMMER SWEETHEARTS.

ONE EVENING.

They sat beneath
The leafy trees,
And in the listless,
Languorous breeze
They whispered
Lovers' rhapsodies.

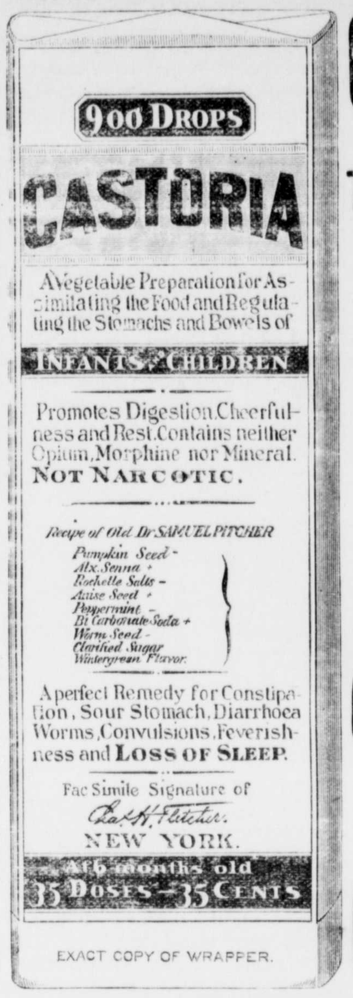
They spoke in
Murmurous monotone
And called each one
The other's own,
To have and hold
As theirs alone.

ANOTHER EVENING.

They sat beneath
The leafy trees,
And in the listless,
Languorous breeze
They whispered
Lovers' rhapsodies.

This time the same
Old monotone,
The same old words,
Each others own,
But now she had
A different chap,
And he had struck
Another snap.

Wm. J. Lampton, New York Herald.



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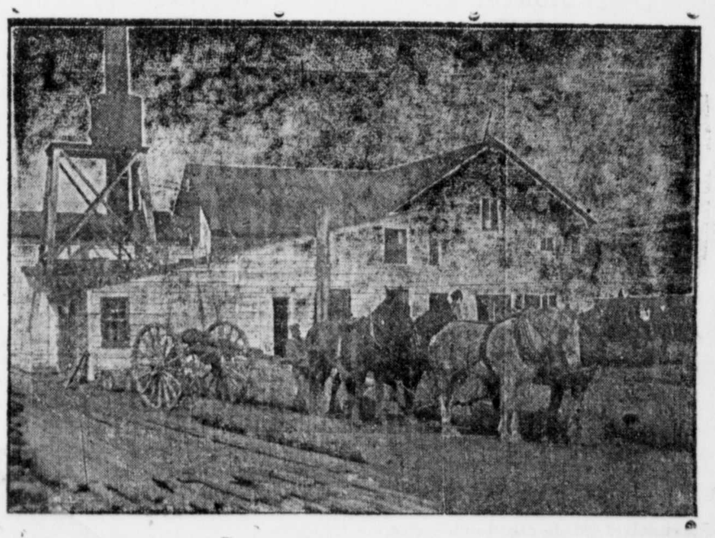

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