

## In Lighter Vein

How it is Done.—Owner—"What'll it cost to repair this car of mine?" Garage Proprietor—"What ails it?" Owner—"I don't know." Garage Proprietor—"Thirty-four dol-lars and sixty-five cents."—Puck.

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If.—If the average man could achieve at fifty or sixty what at eight-een he promised himself to reach be-fore he was twenty-five, you couldn't go out of the house without falling over Croesuses and Shakespeares. Michael Angelos and Beethovens.— Booth Tarkington.

The Only Way.—The Tall Blonde— "A fashion paper says that a new flounced skirt from Paris makes walking difficult and sitting down impos-sible; what do you think of that?" The Short Brunette—"Oh, I suppose we'll have to stand it."—London Opinion Opinion.

Opinion. A Question.—"What colour eyes d'ye like best, Billy?" "Gee! I dunno. What colour are yours supposed to be?"—Life. Dangerous Pastime.—"Once a friend of mine and I agreed that it would be helpful for each of us to tell the other his faults." "How did it work?" "We haven't spoken for nine years." —Chicago Record.

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A Dog of Taste.—Fair Ones—"Will your dog bite us?" Navvy—"I shouldn't be surprised, miss. 'E's got an uncommon sweet tooth!"—London Opinion.

The Gnat and the Gnu. W absurd," said the gnat to the gnu gnu,

"To spell your queer name as you do!" "For the matter of that," Said the gnu to the gnat, "That's just how I feel about you." —Oliver Herford, in Century.

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Willing to be Heir.—Outside it was snowing hard and the teacher consid-end it her duty to warn her charges. "Boys and girls should be very care-ful to avoid colds at this time," she said solemnly. "I had a darling little brother, only seven years old. One day he went out in the snow with his new sled and caught cold. Pneu-monia set in and in three days he was dead." A hush fell upon the schoolroom; then a youngster in the back rows tood up and asked: "Where's his sled?"—Truth Seeker.

¥. ¥. Tricked.—For four consecutive nights the hotel proprietor watched bis fair, timid guest fill her pitcher at the water-tap. "Madam," he said on the fifth night. "if you would ring, this would be done for you." "But where is my bell?" asked the lady.

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"The bell is beside your bed," re-plied the proprietor. "That the bell!" she exclaimed. "Why the boy told me that was the fire-alarm, and that I wasn't to touch it on any account."—New York Weekly Telegraph.

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Couldn't be Age.—The old sailor was complaining that he was a little deaf in his left ear. "Well," re-sponded his acquaintance, "you're no longer young, you know, and"—"It's not my age," interrupted the old sailor; "sure, me right ear's as old as ihe left one, and I can hear in that." —The Weekly Scotsman.

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Angelic.—Customer—"But is he a good bird? I mean, I hope he doesn't use dreadful language." Dealer—"'E's a saint, lady; sings 'ymns beautiful. I 'ad some parrots wot used to swear something awful, but, if you'll believe me, this 'ere bird converted the lot."—London By-stander converted stander.

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