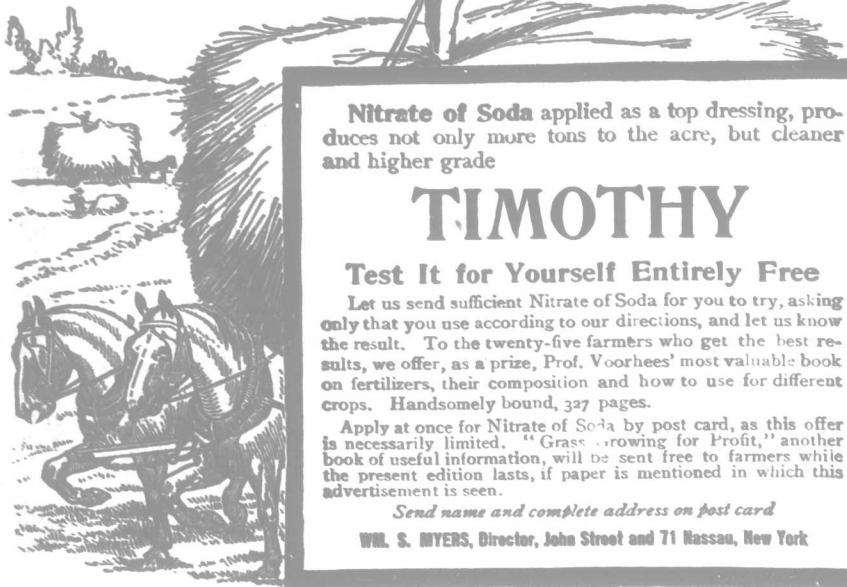


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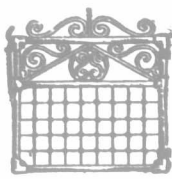
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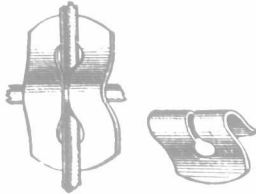
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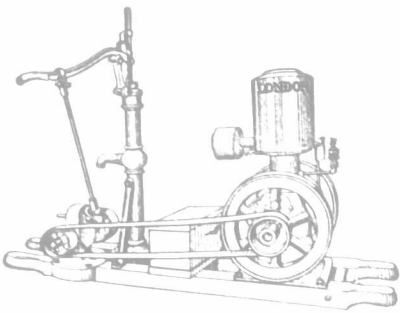


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An Episcopal rector, travelling in the South, met a native, also, by his own profession, an Episcopalian.

"Who confirmed you?" asked the rector.

"Nobody. What's that?"

"But didn't you tell me you were an Episcopalian?"

"Oh, yes," said the old man; "and I'll tell you how it is. Last spring I went down to New Orleans visitin'. While I was there I went to church, and I heard 'em say they had left undone them things they'd oughter done, and done them things they hadn't oughter done, and I said to myself, 'That's just my fix, too.' I found out that was an Episcopal Church, and so I've been an 'Episcopal' ever since."

A certain well-known citizen of an eastern city has been married long enough to have acquired the average man's cynical attitude in respect of the written expressions of devotion indulged in before marriage.

One day he was going over with his wife a mass of useless papers that had accumulated in the household. They unearthed several large boxes full of love letters. After a hasty glance at them, the husband said:

"No use keeping this junk, I suppose? Here it goes."

The wife was hurt. "Oh, Clarence," exclaimed she, "how can you be so brutal? Surely you don't want to destroy your own love letters to me?"

"Well, keep 'em, if you want 'em," cheerfully assented the husband, "but, honestly, Helen, these seem too soft to file!"

Willowby had a good shoemaker, Hiram Pool by name. Nobody knew the trade of making, mending and tapping, resoling and patching shoes better than he. His conversation took on color from his shop, no matter what the subject might be. One evening an astronomer, sojourning in Willowby, gave a "talk" at the town hall, and Hiram went to hear him.

"What did you make of all he said about the cause o' wet weather, when he'd spoken so light of the moon having all to do with it?" somebody asked Hiram next day.

Mr. Pool held up the boot he was mending and squinted at the sole of it.

"His talk needed waxing," said the shoemaker dryly, when his inspection of the boot was finished. "But what I made out of it was that he considered the wet weather usually comes when the clouds are so old and rotten they won't hold patches."

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Conger was called from the Administration Building by a messenger, who said that he was wanted at one of the other gates. Just outside the grounds a man whom he did not know stepped up to him.

"I'd like to get a pass to the fair," he said.

"Why so?" said Conger. "What reason have you for asking for a pass?"

"Don't you remember me?" said the stranger.

"Can't say that I do," said Conger.

"Why, that's strange," declared the man. "I can't understand that. Don't you remember about five years ago when I loaned you a wheelbarrow?"

"The man took my breath away," said Conger, "his nerve was so great, and I gave him a pass. But to save my life I don't remember borrowing a barrow from that man. This is just one of the incidents that members of the Board of Agriculture have to stack up against."

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"What is the amount in question?"

"Two dollars," said the plaintiff's counsel.

"I'll pay it," said the Judge, handing over the money; "call the next case."

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