

Miscellaneous

"I wonder, now," mused the dog, "what fool thing it is that my master wants me to do with that hoop he is holding out before me. Maybe he wants me to jump through it. I'll do it and see. . . . That was it, all right. How little it takes to make a man happy!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

President Stillman of the National City Bank of New York, was born in Texas, but is a clean cut Yankee from Connecticut. As president of the National City Bank he is almost as powerful as the Rothschilds are in Europe.

Said one of his intimates recently: "There are no fireworks about Jim—just plain ordinarily get there. And he carries the queerest lot of truck in his pockets. One day some of us made him turn out his collection.

"He had a couple of penknives, a buck-eye, a shoe-button, a rabbit foot, two or three rubber bands, a silver pencil, bunch of keys, a cigar puncher, a gold watch, a leather washer, a corkscrew, a seal, a memorandum book, an elevated railway ticket, some theatre passes, three safety pins, a box of matches and a newspaper clipping."

"You haven't mentioned money."
"Money? Why the man didn't have a cent."—*Cleveland Leader.*

Teacher—Johnnie, on which side is your heart?

Johnnie—On the right side, teacher.

Teacher—No, Johnnie; it is on your left side.

Johnnie—Yes, ma'am; that's what I said!

Teacher—What you said!

Johnnie—Yes, teacher; the left side is the right side for the heart.

Joseph H. Choate recently said at a lawyers' dinner:

"We lawyers couldn't do better than resolve, on the new year, to be gentler in our cross-examinations. Rudeness in cross-examination never, never pays. This is a truth that I once saw proved in a damage suit.

"In this suit a cross-examining lawyer shouted at a witness in overalls:

"You, there, in the overalls, how much are you paid for telling untruths?"

"Less than you are," the witness retorted, "or you'd be in overalls too!"

—*New York Tribune.*

IDEAS ABOUT HUMOR.

It is alleged that an Englishman once told of a great joke he played on his friend. He was coming along the street with some companions, and he discovered his friend's house on fire, with his friend in the third story window shouting for help. "Jump!" he cried. "Jump! We'll 'old a blanket for you." "What was the joke?" the hearer asked. "Why, the Englishman replied, "we 'ad no blanket at all."

John G. Saxe, the poet, and Oliver Wendell Holmes were talking about brain fever, when Mr. Saxe remarked: "I once had a severe attack of brain fever myself." "How could you have brain fever?" asked Dr. Holmes, smiling. "It is only strong brains that have brain fever." "How did you find that out?" asked Saxe.

In London a woman said one day to Whistler: "Do you think, Mr. Whistler, that genius is hereditary?" "I can't tell you, madam," Whistler replied. "Heaven has granted me no offspring."

When the time came for a certain pastor to leave his charge, in order to proceed to another "call" he made a special point of saying "Good-bye" to a crusty old farmer who had sought to thwart him in every way. To his surprise he found his enemy quite pained at the prospect of his departure.

"When I thought you would be glad to get rid of me!" exclaimed the minister.

The farmer shook his head solemnly. "Well," he said, "you see, sir, I've lived on for forty years, and my experience of our preachers is that there's a bad 'un goes but a wuss 'un c

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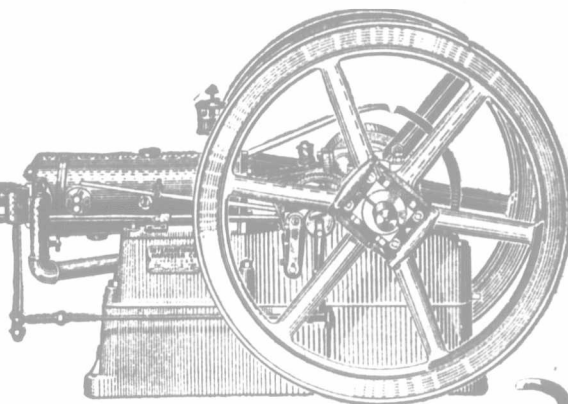
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