

A PHYSICIAN says:—"If a child does not thrive on fresh milk, boil it." This is too severe. Why not spank it?

WHEN the Benedict lies thinking, with his peepers stily blinking at his better half who shivers with an unproductive ire, She discerns through coughs and sneezing, with the mercury at freezing, that affection all depends on who constructs the kitchen fire.

INFURIATED citizen (to organ grinder)—I say, Garibaldi, move on with that measly music. My wife is sick. Organ grinder (grinding away)—Si signor, droppa neekel een ze slota and hear it stoppa playing.

#### ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25c. a bottle.

#### RELIGION A SPECIALTY.

OLD Mr. Bentley—I hear that the Cadwaladers pay \$1,000 a year for their pew in the Church of the Holy St. Well.

Old Mrs. Bentley—Goodness! They must be very religious folks!

DRESSMAKER (to bereaved widow)—"How long would you like the mourning veil to be, madam?" Bereaved widow (with a bust of griefs)—"I don't care for expense at a time like this; my husband's death was a dreadful blow. Make the veil as long as style will warrant."

NOTHING SERIOUS.—Miss Clare (to Featherly, who is making an evening call)—"Poor little Bobby swallowed a penny today, and we've all been so much worried about it." Featherly (somewhat at a loss for words of encouragement)—"Oh, I—er wouldn't worry, Miss Clara: a penny is not much."

AN Improbable Yarn—Judge (to prisoner)—"You say that you were driven by hunger to commit this crime." Prisoner—"Just so, your Honor." "But a hungry man is not likely to steal a whole calf." "I know that, but I didn't have my pocket-knife with me or I'd have only cut off a few pounds."

YOUNG lady (icily)—You are on my train, sir. Can you not see. Gentleman (humbly)—Pardon me; I was blinded by your beauty. Young lady (sweetly)—Do not permit me to incommode you, sir. It is nothing, I assure you. Moral: Truth may be mighty, but an agreeable lie gets there all the same.

STRANGER (to boy)—Boy, can you direct me to the nearest bank?

Boy—I kin fer twenty-fi cents.

Stranger—Twenty-five cents! Isn't that high pay?

Boy—Yes sir, but its bank directors what gits high pay.

FIRST PARTY—Say, Jones, who is that tall, angular and extremely thin woman talking to Bicks?

Second Party—Why, that's his wife.

First Party—You don't say so! Well, I think if I were Bicks I'd have her upholstered.

#### A RUINED LIFE

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"ARE you superstitious?"  
"Not very, why?"  
"Do you believe that it is a sign of death when a dog howls under your window at night?"  
"Yes, if I can find my gun before the dog gets away."

I PRAISED her beauty rare—  
Her face, her form, her dress—  
For she was wondrous fair,  
And knew it, too, I guess,  
She tossed her queenly head  
With motion proud and free,  
And sweetly, bravely said:  
"You'll find no flies on me!"

PRETTY School Teacher—James, is to kiss an active or passive verb?

James (oldest boy in the class)—Both.

Pretty School Teacher—How is that James?

James—Active on the part of the feller and passive on the part of girl.

Pretty School Teacher blushes and marks James "perfect in grammar."

"PLEASE deal kindly with me, your Honor," said the tramp, "this is my first offence."

"Well, I'll send you down for thirty days."

"Couldn't you make it sixty, your Honor?" pleaded the tramp. "Send me up until the birds begin to sing."

#### CATARRH.

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