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**"Out of Work Ag'in"**

An old colored man once asked a white man if he could give him work. The white man asked the negro if he had a boat. When the negro replied, "Yes, boss," the white man, says Young People, made the following proposition: "You see all that driftwood floating down the river?" "Yes, sah," was the reply. "Well, then," continued the white man, "you row out in the river and catch the driftwood, and I'll give you half you get. Will you do it?" "Yes, sah."

The colored man worked hard for a while, when all of a sudden he stopped and pulled for the shore. On being asked the reason for his return, he replied: "Dat wood is jest as much mine as 'tis his. I ain't gwine to give him any, and so I'm out of work ag'in."

**Informal Creeting**

Bishop Potter, who is a good American, and has a sense of humor, tells a story of himself, which Harper's Weekly records. In England, where a bishop is "my lord," Dr. Potter was often so addressed.

This was not easy for a good democrat to hear with comfort; but Bishop Potter says he got accustomed to it, and was in a fair way of becoming spoiled.

Finally a little incident delivered him and levelled him again: to the plainest democracy. When he came home from a visit to England he was greeted at the gang-plank by a friend, an old vestryman, who was hurrying on board to receive his wife and daughters.

Pausing midway up the plank, he grasped Bishop Potter's hand and shouted: "Why, hello, Bish! How are you?"

**The Important Comma**

A short time ago, a business man posted in his shop window a notice which read as follows: "Boy wanted about fourteen years." A lad of that age, with little that was prepossessing in his appearance, came into the office and stated that he had read the notice.

"Well, do you think you would like to have the position, my boy?" asked the merchant, gazing patronizingly over the rims of his spectacles at the unabashed youth.

"Yes," came the prompt answer, "I want the job, but I don't know that I can promise to keep it for the full fourteen years."

Then the merchant remembered that he had left out a comma on his sign, but he told the boy he might have the position.



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