

Sparkles.

WHEN you come to the matter of fans, the Japanese take the palm.

A GREAT many people are dependant for their bread upon the pension rolls.

IF the Democracy continues to hug this bandana idea it may find that it has been nursing a wiper in its bosom.

OLD lady (to boy in shoe store): Are your shoes all made on anatomical principles, boy? Boy: No, mum, they're all made on lasts.

FIRST Bostonian: Do you speak any foreign language? Second Bostonian: Yes; one. First Bostonian: What is it? Second Bostonian: English.

WASHINGTON Guide (to visitor): That gentleman is Mr. Lamont. He is one of the lions, you know. Visitor: Is he? I s'posed he was the Daniel.

SCAPEGRACE Son (introducing his old father to young lady): Miss Gladys—the author of my being. Old gentleman (bowing): A work that has been much criticised.

A CORRESPONDENT asks: "When execution by electricity comes in, what is going to become of the old familiar 'Hang it' of the irritated man?" What's the matter with "shocking?"

"THE Best Way to Keep Girls on the Farm" was the subject of discussion at a recent agricultural meeting. Keep the boys there and the girls will stay there to keep them company.

TRAMP: Won't you give a little something to an old hero of the battle-field! I have survived four wars! Stranger (handing him some money): How did you do it? Tramp (after pocketing the money): Kept out of 'em.

BROWN: You don't look well lately, Robinson. Robinson: No, I can't sleep at night on account of lung trouble. Brown: Nonsense; your lungs are all right. Robinson: Yes, mine are; the trouble is with the baby's.

INSTRUCTOR: By the way, Mr. Straddles, which is the most general term, poet or poetess? Mr. Straddles: Poet. Instructor: Can you give me a reason for it? I think so sir. It is probably because a "poet is born, not maid."

"W-I-L-L-I-A-M D-E-A-N H-O-W-E-L-L-S T-o-n-i-g-h-t," spelled a street gamin from a placard at which he was squinting with one eye closed. "I say, Dinny, who's dat bloke, Billy Dean?" questioned a brother Arab at his side. "Wat's 'e howls for?"

MR. EINSTETTER (in the bosom of his family): How mooch mein liddle Davit loaf he's fa her—heh? Little David: Von hundred per cent, no discount, fast colors, mid exchange on Lohndon! Mr. Einstetter (in an agony of filial love): Ach! mein fader's own chrantson, say dat agains!

"It is a curious thing in public life, said Wiggins, as he laid his newspaper down on the table, "that a windy, loud-mouthed impostor often succeeds, while men of great merit are passed over." "Not at all," replied Bobl-y, "it's the most natural thing in the world to put the blower before the grate."

BEARDED Stranger (who ran away to sea when a boy): D? you remember a boy named Dick Dart? District Telegraph Manager: Very well. Twenty years ago I sent Dick around the corner with a message requiring an immediate answer. Bearded Stranger: I am Dick Dart. District Telegraph Manager: Well give me the answer.

ONE Sunday, as a certain minister was returning homeward, he was accosted by an old woman, who said: "O sir, well do I like the day that you preach!" The minister was aware that he was not very popular, and he answered: "My good woman, I am glad to hear it. There are too few like you. And why do you like when I preach?" "O sir," she replied, "when you preach I always get a good seat."

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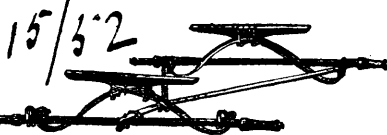
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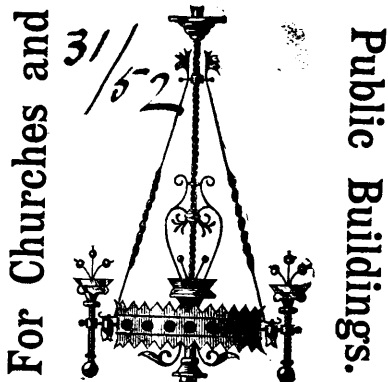
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