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## GRIP'S CLIPS.

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### FROM A PROUD FAMILY.

"Look a heah, sah," indignantly exclaimed a colored gentleman, "does yer mean ter call me a thief?"

"Dat's whut I means."

"An' why, sah? 'Splain yerself, ur take de rough consequence."

"Case I seed yer when yer stole a coat."

"Wall, dat's all right, but ef yer hadn'tor seed me I'd er whupped yur, sho'. Better be pertic'lar how yer fools wid me, man, 'case I comes from a proud fam'ly."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

### WHY HE WEPT.

"My heart is broken," said a man who sat on the bank steps, weeping.

"What is thematter?"

"My grandfather is dead, and the thought that I never saw the old man is too much for me."

"Did he leave you anything?"

"No, and the fact of the business is, that's what breaks me up. If he had only left me something as a keep-sake, I could bear the grief much more philosophically."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

### GAVE HIM CHANGE.

"An' ken ye give me the change fur twenty-foive cints?" asked Dennis of a merchant.

"Yes, think I can."

"An' will ye?"

"Yes, here it is," and he handed him five nickels. "But hold on. Where's the twenty-five cents?"

"Oi hev no twenty-foive cints, yer honor. Oi only wanted change for wan an' ye said ye'd give it to me. Good day, sor."—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

Too much study is said to affect the mind; and we know a number of cases where it would affect it very favorably, too.

About the only troubles that comesingly are fussy o'd maids.

A young lady who was being stared at too earnestly drew a veil over the seen.—*Ex.*

"This is how a parlor-maid the other day corrected the pronunciation of a fellow-servant, a page:—Don't say 'ax,' you vulgar boy; say 'harsk.'"

The marriage certificate is one of the few noose papers that have not declined in price.—*Boston Bulletin.*

Disgusted guest—"Waiter, I'm sure this napkin has been used before." Waiter—"Be-four? Why, sur! You're only the third as has had it."

The new two-cent stamp must go. It shows the head of Washington "out of plumb," whereas everybody knows that gentleman was particularly level-headed.—*Minneapolis Tribune.*

"Dear Louise, don't let the men come too near you when courting." "Oh, no, dear ma. When Charles is here we have a chair between us." Mother thinks the answer is rather ambiguous.

Two Parisian Esaus were taking supper at a farm house near Orleans. All at once one of them made a wry face, called the housewife and showed a very blonde hair in the hareragout. The good woman smiled and said, "Yes, there is one, after all; excuse me, gentlemen, I thought I had taken them all out!"

A prying sort of an individual has discovered that the oyster has a trunk. Such a receptacle may be necessary, from the fact that the oyster spends the summer by the seashore; but if the bivalve wants to put on as many airs as the fashionable young lady at the seaside, it must also have a big bandbox and a pug dog.—*Norristown Herald.*

What to him was love or hope! What to him was joy or care? He stepped on a piece of mottled soap the girl had left on the top-most stair, and his feet flew out like wild, fierce wings, and he struck each stair like the sound of a drum, and the girl below with the scrubbing things, laughed like a fiend to see him come.

A Nashville man received a piece of wedding cake recently, and foolishly ate it. It nearly killed him, and the doctors pumped him out, braced him up, and walked him around, and at last saved his life, although they declared he had all the symptoms of pyæmia, strychnine poisoning, normal temperature, Asiatic cholera, morphine poisoning, rapid pulse, and terrific respiration, and several other awful things. However, an analysis of the cake showed that it contained no substances absolutely poisonous in themselves, but having been made by the bride, to the best of her ability and experience, the cake was enough to kill a river and harbor bill. The man was very young or he would have known better, and would have saved the cake to kill tarantulas with.

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