

Josh Billings' Guide to Health.

Never run into debt, not if you can find anything else to run into. Be honest if you can, if you can't be honest, pray for help. Marry young, and if yamaka's hit, keep cool, and don't brag about it. Be kind to yure mother-in-law, and if necessary, pay for her board in sum good hotel. Bathe thoroly wuns a weke in soft water, kastrel soap, and avoid tite boots. Exercise in open air, but don't saw wood until yure obliged to. Laff every time yu feel tickled, and laff wuns a wile enn, how. Eat hash washing days, and be thank-phull if yu hav tu shut yure eyes to do it. Hold the baby haff the time, and all-wuss start the fire in the mornings and put the kettle on. Don't jaw bak—it only proves that yu are as big a phool as the other phell. Never borry what yu are able to buy, and allwuss hav sum things yu wont lend. Never get in a hurry; yu can walk a good deel further in a day than yu kan run. Don't swear; it may convince yu but it iz shur not to convince uters. If yu hav dauters, let yure wife bring them up; if she has got common sense she can beat all yure theoyas. Don't drink to much nu sider, and however mean yu be, don't abuse a kow. Luv and respectk yure wife enny how; it is a good deel cheepo than to be all the time wishing she wuz all the time different. Don't hav enny rules for long life that yu wont break; be prepared to-day to die to-morrow, is the best creed for long life I know of. Keep yure hed cool and yure feet dry and breathe thru yure noze as much az yu kan. Don't be a clown if yu kan help it; peopel dont respectk enny thing mutch that they kan only laff at. If yu cant hav haff a loaf, take a whole wun, a whole loaf is mutch better than no bread. Don't miss enny phun, not if yu hav to go 10 miles out of yur way to find it. Don't keep but wun dog; there iz no man but a pauper able to keep three. By trying to follo the above guide to health and happinez the Billings family haz bekum what it iz.

Greeley on Lawyers.

"Mr. Greeley," says Partridge, "this is Mr. Denlow, a young attorney." Greeley uttered a short grunt of recognition, but did not even look around. I, embarrassed, shrunk away to one corner and took a chair. He went on around the room, looking at a picture and what-not, and in about five minutes, when his back was turned to me, and I thought he had forgotten me, said: "Hem! so you're an attorney, are you?" I confessed it. "I hate lawyers; they do more mischief than their heads are worth." "I suppose they are a necessary evil," I suggested deprecatingly. "Wholly unnecessary," he insisted. "I suppose you will acknowledge," I said, "that they promote good order and remove impediments to good government?" "Just the contrary! just the contrary!" he squeaked, in his odd falsetto; "they cause disorder, and they are the chief obstacles to good government." "I thought the man was crazy," "Perhaps you will tell me," I suggested, "how letts would be collected without lawyers?" "Don't want 'em collected, he squeaked. "If A lant' have his property without payment, I don't see why C, D, E, F, and all the rest of the alphabet should be called upon as police officers to get it back! No debt should be collected by law! It's monstrous! Let a man trust another man at his own risk. Even a gambler pays his debt that he isn't legally obliged to pay, and calls them debts of honor; but men will put their property out of their hands to prevent the legal collection of their grocery account. Abolish all laws for the collection of debt, and that will abolish most of you lawyers.

A young colored woman in Hamilton, named Ellen Goodman, has taken rank as a preacher. Her first sermon was delivered in the Methodist Episcopal church, in that city the other night, before a large audience. Though her sex prevents her from being regularly ordained she will preach as missionary, travelling from place to place throughout the country and preaching the gospel. The sermon was a simple but forcible one and created a very favourable impression upon Miss Goodman's hearers.

Gannaque is noted for its romantic situation and its romantic maidens. An event filled with romance has just transpired there in the marriage of James H. Stewart, of Brandon, Manitoba, to Martha J. Reid, daughter of Thomas Reid. The bridal pair had never met until he came down two days before the wedding. The acquaintance was brought about by a friend who lived a short time in Brandon, and after an exchange of photographs the courtship was all done by letter. The new couple left for Brandon.

Praying for the Editor.

Dr. J. M. Reid, secretary of the Methodist missionary society, tells a story relative to himself. Once, when an editor, he was invited to preach in Chicago. He was taken to the church by a good brother, who handed him there early, and no one being present but himself, he took a seat in the front row alone to meditate and rest for the evening sermon. It was just at dusk, and he heard persons engaged in a prayer service in an adjoining room. He listened. Presently a loud, zealous brother, engaged in prayer. He touched upon various matters, and invoked the div-blessing upon them, including "the speaker of the evening," Dr. Reid. For him he prayed very much as follows: "Lord, bless him who is to speak to us this evening; he is a poor, weak man, but make him a power. Bless the message that he shall bring. We know that he is only an editor, and he is rusty; but O Lord, rub the rust off." Dr. Reid said that the man prayed earnestly, oblivious of the fact that the editor was listening, and, as an emphasis to his prayer, he (the doctor) uttered a hearty "Amen."

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