

a collision between two hansom cabs. Being, fortunately, unhurt, he waited till the mutual objurgations of the two cabbies had to some extent subsided, and then, approaching one of them, handed him his card, saying he would be glad to come as a witness if the case went into court. It did find its way into court eventually, and Sir Richard (as he then was), had the privilege of sitting on the bench beside the judge, merely as a visitor. The Lord Chief's cabman won, and upon going outside the building the learned dignitary of the law was pleased to see the victor awaiting him. "Jump in, sir," said the jehu, "I'll drive you anywhere. I know'd it 'ud be all right when I seen you up there a-squarin' of the beak."

He was a young and smart-looking Scots clergyman and was to preach a "trial" sermon in a strange church. Fearing that his hair might be disarranged or that he might have a smudge on his face he quietly and significantly said to the beadle, there being no mirror in the vestry, "John, could you get me a glass?" John disappeared, and after a few minutes returned with something under his coat which, to the astonishment of the divine, he produced in the form of a bottle with a gill of whiskey in it, saying "Ye mauna let on about it, meenister, for I got it as a special favor; and I wadna hae got it ava if I hadna told them it was for you."

In England there's a pretty little country hotel known as the Rose Tavern. Close at hand, in the hotel grounds, is a quaint old ivy-mantled chapel. If the hotel becomes overcrowded, as it does now and then, they put away the guests in the chapel. A traveling man occupied it one night. At six o'clock the next morning the loud pealing of the chapel bell roused the night clerk, who rushed over to the chapel in great alarm and encountered the traveling man. "Are you the night clerk?" asked the traveling man. "I am," said the night clerk; "what's the jolly row?" "Well for heaven's sake," said the traveling man, "rush me over a cocktail to pew 13."

An Englishman, while passing along the main street in Bangor, Me., stepped in a hole in the sidewalk and, falling, broke his leg. He brought suit against the city for one thousand dollars, and engaged Hamlin Hamlin for counsel. Hamlin won his case, but the city appealed to the supreme court. Here, also, the decision was for Hamlin's client. After settling up the claim, Hamlin sent for his client and handed him one dollar. "What's this?" asked the Englishman. "That's your damages, after taking out my fee, the cost of appeal, and several other expenses," said Hamlin. The Englishman looked at the dollar and then at Hamlin. "What's the matter with this?" he asked. "Is it bad?"

Bishop McVicker of Rhode Island, a man of great physical proportions, once visited Japan with Dr. Phillips Brooks, who fell but little behind him in height and breadth. To the diminutive Japs the two stalwart American clergymen were sources of unending wonder. "We did not mind ordinary tributes to our size," says the bishop, "but the wonder which the size of our feet elicited was hardly flattering. In entering a Japanese house you are supposed to leave your shoes outside, and never did Dr. Brooks and I come out but we found an admiring crowd either measuring our shoes or gazing upon them in admiration. They were pretty sizable shoes, I admit."

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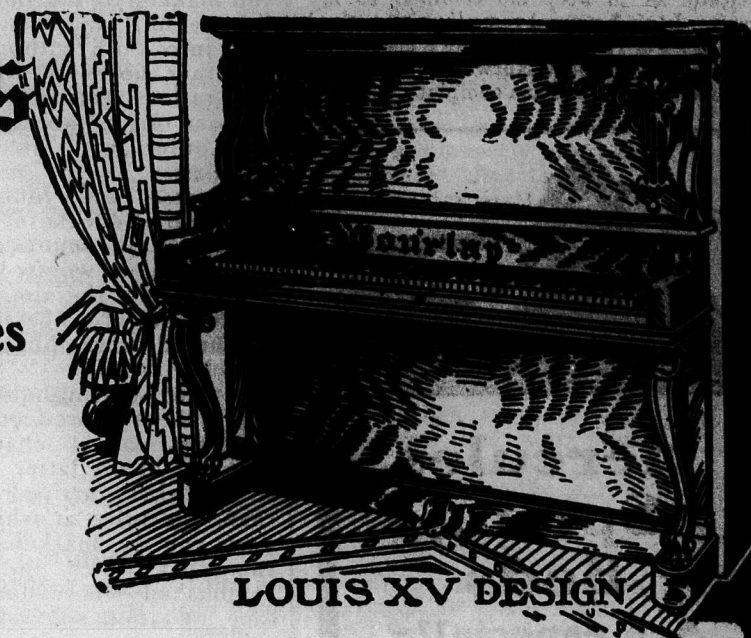
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