

SOMETHING FINE.—Uncle Josh had just returned from the city, where he had seen an eminent actor in "Hamlet."

"So you seed 'Hamlet,' eh?" asked one of his friends.

"Yes, sir," replied Uncle Josh.

"What did you think of it?"

"Well, 'Hamlet' was all right; but, by gosh, if you want to see suthin' fine, you want to go inter that ten-cent dime museum down on State-street."

THIS week, that funny farce comedy, "We, Us & Co.," will be presented at Jacob & Shaw's Opera House. Entirely new music, new songs, new dances and new scenery will be the leading features. Manager Shaw is said to have fairly outdone himself in the way of scenery.

MRS. ANGLOMANIAC (to butler)—"Matthew, his grace, the Duke of Tweedledum, dines and sleeps here to-night. I want everything in the most correct English way."

Matthew—"Ho, yes, hindeed, mum."

Mrs. Anglomaniac—"Serve tea in the drawing-room at 6 and dinner at 8.30 o'clock. Have no napkins at breakfast tomorrow, and serve cold game Pates from the sideboard."

Matthew—"Ho, yes, hindeed, mum."

Mrs. Anglomaniac—"And Matthew, see that the weather is foggy. I want his grace to feel entirely at home."

Matthew—"Ho, yes, hindeed, mum."—*N. Y. Sun.*

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The man who says there is no such thing as perpetual motion never saw a man try to wind up a Waterbury watch.—*Harper's Bazaar.*

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The origin of the expression "raining cats and dogs" is probably the same as "hailing omnibuses."—*Life.*

AFTER the New Yorker gets all the rapid transit he wants he will have a chance to sit down at home and wonder what on earth to do with all the time he has saved.—*Puck.*

An eight day clock is a long-winded affair.—*Merchant Traveler.*

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WHAT do women talk about? Weather, first, beyond a doubt; Then their tongues begin to go On the topics told below.

THE TOPICS.

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Servant girls with horrid ways; Latest fashions; temperance craze; How to save the heathen band; Jars of fruit for Winter canned.

Bonnets, dresses, ribbons, gloves; Shopping fun; young maidens' loves; Gossip; scandal quite intense, And religious arguments.

Babies; what to eat and wear; How to hide the silvered hair; How to keep a youthful face And preserve a form of grace.

These and similar things, no doubt, Do the women talk about, Though the men suppose, ahem, That they only talk of them.

—H. C. Dodge.

THE latest annual statement of the North American Life Assurance Company, which will be found on another page, is the best one the Company has yet made, and shows prosperity and rapid advancement in all directions. According to its usual custom, the Government Report was promptly sent to the Insurance Department at Ottawa on the last day of the year. We commend to our readers the remarks of the President, Hon. A. Mackenzie, M.P., and Vice-president, Hon. A. Morris, made at the meeting on the 29th ult. The speeches of these gentlemen not only deal fully with the very prosperous condition of their Company, but they are also brim full of good sound common sense pertaining to Life Insurance generally. It almost passes comprehension in these days of education and intelligence, that men will insure in foreign companies, when we have such solid home institutions as the North American. GRIP has always been known as an advocate of Canada for Canadians, and we know of nothing that this remark applies to more forcibly than Life Insurance. The North American is a first-class Company, well managed and quite able to give an insurer as liberal and advantageous form of policy as any other Company. We therefore have no hesitation in commending it to the careful consideration of intending insurers.

No, INDEED.—Little Boy—"Father, does everybody have to work if they want to eat?"

Father—"Almost everybody, my son."

Little Boy—"Does that fat man over there work? I never saw him do anything."

Father—"No, indeed, that man doesn't work; that is Mr. Blowmouth, the well-known friend of labor."

"You don't look strong enough for the work, my son," said the merchant. "Running an elevator in my store is a hard job and the pay is small."

"Yes, sir," said the youthful applicant. "I can do it. I'm little, but I'm strong. I'm your 'oister.'"

And the strong man turned away and wept.—*Chicago Tribune.*

EVIDENTLY a misunderstanding.—Painter (who is looking for work and has pestered Mrs. Hobson beyond endurance): "That fence, madam, needs a coat of paint very badly."

Mrs. Hobson (impatiently to servant): "Show this man the front door at once, James."

Painter: "Ah, this looks like business. I'll paint that door for you madam, in good shape for five dollars."—*The Epoch.*

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