

BIT-BITS.

WHAT LACK WE YET?

When Washington was President,  
As cold as any icicle,  
He never on a railroad went,  
And never rode a bicycle.

He read by no electric lamp,  
Nor heard about the Yellowstone;  
He never licked a postage stamp,  
And never saw a telephone.

His trousers oozed at his knees,  
By wire he could not snatch dispatch;  
He filled his lamp with whale oil grease  
And never had a match to scratch.

But in these days it's come to pass,  
All work is with such dashing done,  
We've all these things—but then, alas?  
We seem to have no Washingtons.—*Burdette.*

There was a commotion in the dimly-lighted parlor, and a moment later, when Maud's papa entered, Maud was sitting demurely in one corner of the room, while Maud's George occupied another.

"Well, George, how do you come on now-a-days?" greeted the old gentleman, cheerily.

"Oh, I guess I've been holding my own," replied Maud's George, with a smile.

"So, so? been holding your own, you sly dog? Assumed proprietorship, already, eh? and she was willing to be held, I'll warrant. Well, well, times haven't changed much in twenty-five years it seems," and the old gentleman chuckled, while Maud blushed, and George and the lamp tried to draw out of sight.

"We're going to have a lecture on Bicon at my house to-night," said Senator Hearst, "come around and hear it. I'm sort o' kicking at the idea of switching off from literature to provisions, but these questions of political economy seem to be attracting a great deal of attention now, so I guess it's all right."—*Washington Hatchet.*

Two tramps, a man and his wife, have recently been making a good living in Scotland by means of their baby. "We just gets 'im christened," says the father, "at all the towns we passes, and then, ye see, parson, he makes us all comfortable wi' summat to eat and money for beds. On days awful bad, we has to do 'im twice."

"What's in a name?" a recent traveller was heard to exclaim. "Why, about the hottest country on the globe is Chili."

England's puzzle and Pat's charade—"You rouse my first by asking rent for my second, and my whole is my country"—Ireland.

It takes the skins of 1,000 horses and 10,000 sheep to cover the baseballs used in this country every year. The game takes the skin off twice as many men.

Customer: "Mr. Schidleheimer, it seems to me that your ten-cent loaves are not proportionally larger than your five-cent loaves, certainly not twice as large." Schidleheimer: "Dot vas so, I vas told dot myself already before, und I fixes dot. To-morrow I will make dose five-cent loafs much smaller."—*Texas Siftings.*

"Oh, give me affection, I'll sigh for no more," sang a poetess, and two months after marriage she wanted \$15 for a new spring bonnet.

A facetious reader of the *Journal* calls attention to the fact that Abraham Lincoln made wool free when he issued the Emancipation Proclamation.—*Boston Journal.*

"The doctor said he'd put me on my feet again in two weeks." "Well, didn't he do it?" "He did, indeed. I had to sell my horse and buggy to foot the bill."

Irish an (relating his exploits)—I walked up bouldly to wan o' the enemy and cut off his legs wid me sword.

Listener—Why didn't you cut off his head?  
Irishman—That was already off.

Down in Virginia the *Pocahontas*. *Headlight* has a new editor. He bows as follows: "We do not re-enter the theatre of journalism as the trembling debutant, dazzled by the tinsel glitter of pictured scenes, nor assume its more sacred functions as the neophyte, whose swinging censor but deepens the awful mysteries of the sanctuary."

What in the name of thunder does that fellow across the street wear that fur cap for?

Probably he is a newspaper man and needs a fur-tile brain.  
The groans of the bystanders reminded one of a field hospital after a great battle.

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