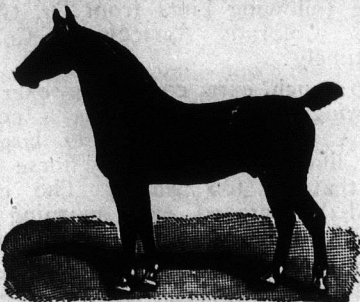


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of respect, and grinned a propitiatory
grin.

"Ah's Willyum Johns'n, please suh,
Jedge," he said. "Ah doan' know
nuffin' 'bout no 'fendant, suh. Ah'm
jes' the man wot took de chick'ns."

"Don't talk like that," the Court
warned William. "You ought to have
a lawyer to speak for you. Where's
your lawyer?"

"Ah ain' got no lawyer, Jedge—"

"Very well, then," said his Honor.
"I'll assign a lawyer to defend you."

"Oh, no, suh; no suh! Ple-e-ase
don' do dat!" William begged.

"Why not?" asked the Judge. "It
won't cost you anything. Why don't
you want a lawyer?"

"Well, Ah'll tell yo', suh," said
William, waving his tattered old hat
confidentially. "Hit's jes' dis-a way
—Ah wan' tuh enjoy dem chick'ns
mase'f."—Harper's Weekly.

Getting Ready for Ma.

The way in which an Oklahoma
editor announced that his mother
was coming to visit him may seem a
trifle breezy, but it is safe to say that
there isn't a mother living who would
not be glad to have her advent hailed
with such genuine delight and pride.
This is the way he spread the glad
tidings abroad:

"The editor of the News-Republic-
an is going to tog up a little this
evening. Going to change collars
and put on a pair of cuffs, if we can
find any. Going to get shaved and
going to get our shoes shined and
the pegs cut out, so we can walk
right pertly.

"Ma's a-comin' down to see us.
You know who our ma is? Ma is our
only ma, and she's a good one, too—
one of the old Ohio Quaker sort, you
know.

"Ma lives in Kingfisher. She was
our ma when we were born; she was
our ma out in western Kansas when
we hunted prairie coal; she was our
ma when we drank parched corn cof-
fee in old Oklahoma in '89, and she's
our ma now. She's the best we ever
had.

"If you see us tomorrow walking
down the street with a little woman
with a smile on her face you'll know
that's ma.

"If you never had a ma, you should
get one—and one like our ma, too."

Two of a Kind.

A private in the regulars went to
the colonel of his regiment and asked
for a two-weeks' leave of absence.
The Colonel was a severe disciplin-
arian, who did not believe in extend-
ing too many privileges to his men,
and did not hesitate to use a subter-
fuge in evading the granting of one.

"Well," said the Colonel, "what do
you want a two-weeks' furlough for?"

Patrick answered:
"Me woife is very sick and the
children are not well, and, if ye didn't
moind, she would loike to have me
home fer a few weeks to give her a
bit ov assistance."

The Colonel eyed him for a few
minutes, and said:

"Patrick, I might grant your re-
quest, but I got a letter from your
wife this morning saying she didn't
want you home; that you were a
nuisance whenever you were there.
She hopes I won't let you have any
more furloughs."

"That settles it! Oi suppose Oi
can't get the furlough, then?" said
Pat.

"No, I'm afraid not, Patrick."

It was Patrick's turn now to eye
the Colonel, as he started for the
door. Stopping suddenly, he said:

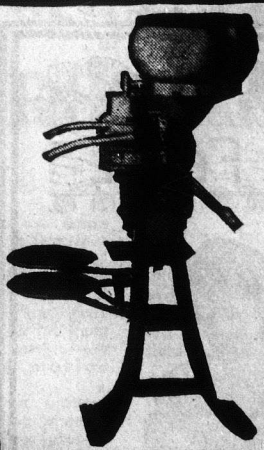
"Colonel, can I say somethin' to
yez?"

"Certainly, Patrick; what is it?"

"You won't get mad, Colonel, if Oi
say it?"

"Certainly not, Patrick. What is
it?"

"Oi want to say there are two
splendid liars in this room. Oi'm one
and ye're another. Oi was never
married in me loife."

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