

CHIT-CH. T AND CHUCKLES.

Some passions cannot be regulated, but must be entirely cut off.

Choir Teacher—"Can you sing?" Applicant—"Oh, I chants with the rest."

An agricultural paper says that "fences cost farmers more than government schools and religion."

"And you love him still!" "Indeed I do! When he talks I hardly know whether I love him or not."

"Had a splendid time. I ran across a lake up in"—"Ran across a lake? Come, come, Binks, don't lie so transparently."

The tired song singer who is compelled to respond to numberless oncores may be said to be a victim to add-verso circumstances.

If you would get material to use against a candidate for election, go to the man to whom he has loaned money, and you will not be disappointed.

"Have you a license?" asked a man of a Pittsburg wheelman. "A license!" asked the bicyclist, in astonishment, "what do I need a license for?" "To pedal."

She—"You didn't stay with her long. Ha—! Hurdly. I asked her to marry me, and she said no." She—"Still you should have remained. There's generally a postscript to what a girl says."

"Are you in favor of prohibiting the sale of liquor?" asked an earnest looking passenger of the man who sat down beside him. "Deed an' oi am that; it ought to be given away by the government."

Henrietta—"Pa, do you think marriage a failure?" Pa—"A failure? I's see; sometimes people fail in order to make money, and sometimes they fail because they can't help it. Yes, my dear, I guess marriage is a failure."

AN OUTRAGE.

I wrote a verse to Maul and sang  
Of her sweet face, dotted with dimples,  
I've lost her now! And I'd like to hang  
The printer who printed it "pimples."

A Priori.—Attorney (in breach of promise suit)—If it was so dark you couldn't see, her kiss him, could you? Witness—No. Attorney (triumphantly)—Why, then, are you positive that she did kiss him? Witness—Because it was too dark for me to see her. Attorney (furiously)—From what actual knowledge of your own, sir, can you state that she kissed him? Witness—From my knowledge of the girl.

Of the novel applications of electricity there is no end. Bakers are now using the electric motor as a bread mixer, and are thus enabled to do in four or five minutes an amount of work that would otherwise require hours of hard labor. A writer in a medical paper says he has frequently obtained much relief from facial neuralgia by applying an incandescent light to the part affected. He suggests that the lamp could also be used in poulticing advantageously. It could be laid over a flaxseed or other form of poultice and constant heat could be thus secured.

LET US TRUST.—Every day and every hour there appears in the lives of most of us mysteries which we cannot fathom, problems which we cannot solve. Let us trust where we do not understand; let us not look backward too much to our losses, and question why we were so bereft; nor earthward to our crosses, and ask why we are so tried; but rather onward to the future, which is in God's hands; onward and upward to the blessed time when those that are faithful and endure unto the end shall be saved from all perplexity and death forevermore; shall see no longer through a glass darkly, but in the sunshine of God's presence shall see face to face, shall know as they are known.

One Way of Finding Out.—Clara (meditatively): "How can I be quite certain that Augustus loves me for my wealth alone? Ha! a sudden thought strikes me. Augustus!" Augustus (tenderly): "My own!" Clara: "Between two who love there should be perfect frankness, should there not?" Augustus: "My angel, a thousand times, yes! (Aside) What the deuce does she want to know?" Clara (slowly): "Then listen. My hair grow upon other heads, and my teeth are the best money could buy. My eyebrows are false, my lips are painted, my cheeks are rouged, and my dressmaker makes me as well as my dresses. Say, Augustus, can you love me after these disclosures?" Augustus (faintly): "I—I can!" Clara (sotto voce): "Ye gods, how deeply in debt must this young man be!"

OLD NURSERY FAVORITES.

There was Tom, the Son of the Piper,  
Jack Sprat, and Merry King Cole,  
And the Three Wise Men of Gotham,  
Who went to sea in a bowl;  
The woman who rode on a broomstick,  
And swept the cobwebbed sky,  
And the boy who sat in the corner,  
Eating his Christmas pie.

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