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Her Majesty is very fond of visiting the tenants at Sandringham, and some time ago she had an amusing conversation with a poor old woman who was busy darning stockings. Thinking to put the old lady at her ease, the Queen said: "I am sure you cannot heel a pair of stockings as quickly as I can."

"Oh, so the King wears stockings, do 'e?" asked the dame in surprise. "Only you an' me, mum, who mends stockings, knows what terrible bad 'oles men do make in their 'eels."

An inhabitant of the City of Badaon, in Upper Burmah, lost two wives in quick succession, and was about to contract a third marriage when he received the following mandate from the relative of the bride: "We are told that when a man has already lost two wives, his third also dies very soon. In order to satisfy the angel of death you are requested marry a doll, and thereafter come and marry our daughter, who should be your fourth wife, and not your third." The man did as he was told. He married the doll, then announced that she was dead, buried her with great pomp, and proceeded to marry his fourth wife.

Mrs. John Burns, wife of the noted labor member of the British Cabinet, once received a note from a society woman in London regretting in somewhat haughty terms that as her house in Grosvenor Square was so far away from Battersea, she had not been able to call upon Mrs. Burns, but she hoped, nevertheless, that the labor member's wife would come to a party of hers. Mrs. Burns replied that as her house was quite as far from Grosvenor Square as that of the society personage from Battersea, she regretted she must decline the invitation.

HOW TO BE HAPPY.

Old Gentleman.—"Rastus, if you had half of that big watermelon, would you be happy?" Little Rastus.—"No, sah." Old Gentleman.—"What more 'would you want to complete your happiness?" Little Rastus.—"De odder half ob dat melon, sah."—*Chicago Daily News.*

CUTTING THEIR WEEDS.

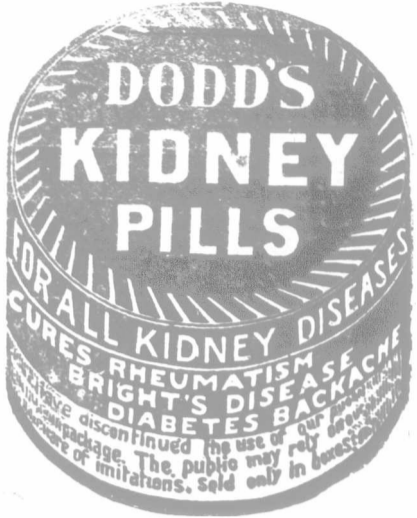
Hyker.—"Why did you give up smoking?" Pyker.—"In order to marry a rich widow." Hyker.—"I fail to see the connection." Pyker.—"She refused to give up her weeds unless I would give up mine."—*Chicago News.*

SWEEPING THE CONVENTION.

"I nominate for President our friend and former associate now nobly serving his country in State's prison." "But a man in jail can't run," suggested another delegate. "No, nor he isn't apt to make any bad breaks, either," resumed the first speaker, this happy hit sweeping the convention with the force of a tidal wave.

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Many are the stories told of Dr. Maclagan's kindness. One of his first acts on becoming Bishop of Lichfield was to set aside a substantial part of his income to help the poorer clergy of the diocese. It is told of him, too, that when he was vicar of Newington he used to stop the bells of his own church so that the worshippers at Mr. Spurgeon's chapel should not be disturbed. The Archbishop is a very broad-minded ecclesiastic, and his general manner and philanthropic character have endeared him to all with whom he has come in contact.

His Grace tells an amusing story of a railway journey he once took in a third-class carriage. Seated opposite to him were a couple of rough working men, who had evidently dined not wisely, but too well. Presently one of them began to complain that he had been robbed of a £5 note, and expressed his determination to ask his fellow-passengers to turn out their pockets. Dr. Maclagan began to feel very uncomfortable, for, as it happened, he himself had a £5 note in his pocket. "However," says his Grace, when he relates the story, "I sat quietly, and pretended to be asleep." Presently the man who had lost the note touched him on the arm, but still Dr. Maclagan feigned to be in the arms of Morpheus. Just as he was beginning to wonder what would happen next, the other workman called out lustily to his mate: "Come on, Bill, leave 'im alone. Can't you see 'e's drunker than yourself?"—M. A. P.

"I believe," declared the Irish—"that me youngest son's born't be a surgeon." "Phat leads ye t' say that?" asked his friend. "Oi caught him usin' th' scissors on a book Oi'd lately bought, an' before Oi could stop him he cut out th' appendix."

Spongem.—I say, old man, in case I should die suddenly, will you make sure that I am really dead before they bury me?

Knox.—Yes; you may depend on me. I'll ask you to have a drink, and if you don't sit up and take notice, I'll tell the undertaker to go ahead and plant you.

A number of representatives were facetiously discussing the resources of the State of Missouri one afternoon, when McCall, of Massachusetts, observed to Mr. Lloyd, of the first named State:

"Lloyd, I am told that Missouri stands at the head in raising mules."

"It seems to me," retorted Lloyd, "that is the only safe place to stand in the circumstances."

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A professor in the University of Berlin, who came over here a year ago was much surprised the first time when he travelled in a sleeping car to be asked by the porter for his berth ticket. "My berth ticket?" he said. "I have my passport, I have my letter of credit, and I have even in my trunk my certificate of vaccination; but the railway company should want my berth ticket, I do not see." "But," said the porter, "I must know whether you have lower or upper berth." "Upper, of course," said the German. "Look at my passport; does it not say, 'Well and highly born'?"—President Hadley, in *Yale Alumni Weekly.*

Blasting on the G. T. P. at the Prince Rupert end is a big proposition. This is how the shots are made: Two holes, 14 feet apart, were drilled down 32 feet into the solid rock, and 25 feet back, from the face of the cut, which now extends 100 feet into the bluff. Into each hole 50 pounds of dynamite were dropped and fired, thus "springing" or burning a large chamber at the bottom of each. They were then loaded with 525 pounds, or 2,100 sticks of dynamite, and after being tapped and cemented, to prevent their blowing out, were fired simultaneously with an electric battery. There was a muffled roar, a spasmodic convulsion of the earth, and the hundreds of people on the hill-top above the town saw 1,000 tons of rock rise en masse about ten feet into the air and fall, shattered to fragments, into the cut below. No damage whatever was done to the buildings in the vicinity, and enough rock was broken to keep the night and day gangs mucking for ten days.

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