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### "All Right on Spellin'."

The following effusion is said to have been addressed to the editor of a Southern paper:

"Sur an Fren'd—Do the Carnegie liberary lend Books techin Mathewmatics, to Outside your Cittle? I want Onlie Books on Mathewmatics, as I am all right on spellin and an a purty good Grammatician. If I do say it Mysel. I kin spell and Grammarize but Mathewmatics is one too Much for Me."

### A New Greely Story.

The great editor had a deadly way of hitting people with his pen. Mr. Fernold, in his language notes, "Better Say," says: "News. 'The latest news are good.' Better say. 'The latest news is good.' News, while plural in form, is singular in construction. Two friends, at one time having a dispute on this matter, agreed to refer it to Horace Greely. As he was out of the city, the question was telegraphed to him. 'Are there any news?' Greely promptly flashed back the answer, 'Not a new.'"

### Slightly Ambiguous.

Commenting on the fondness of young students to use long words and Latin quotations, in order to appear conventional, Dr. Lorimer, of New York, says: "I once knew a promising candidate who was given charge of a funeral in the absence of the pastor of the church. He knew it was customary for the minister to announce after the sermon that those who wished should step up to view the remains; but he thought that was too hackneyed a phrase, and he said instead, 'The congregation will now pass around the bier.'"

### It was Lively Music.

The following story, published by The Church Economist, is said to be strictly true:

The wife of a Congregational minister was "trying over," one Sunday recently, a new Sunday-school song-book of the "rag time" stamp, when her sister, who was of a lively turn of mind and not unfamiliar with vaudeville performances, rushed in and exclaimed: "Gracious, what are you playing such tunes for on Sunday?"

The wife explained that she was simply examining a new Sunday-school song-book.

"But think what the neighbors and passers-by will say!" exclaimed the horrified sister. The book was laid aside, and the reputation of the parsonage saved.

### Fortunate.

A youth of Hibernian extraction, in chopping wood with a hatchet one day was so unfortunate as to graze the thumb of his left hand, with which he was steadying the piece of kindling he was splitting. Ruefully gazing at the injured member, he remarked, "Sure, it was a good thing that I didn't have hold of the handle with both hands, or I'd have cut it off."

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