

Smiles

Pat: "Sure, I'd lay down me loife for ye, Norah." Norah: "But would ye lay down a carpet for me, Patrick?"

Man (in a hurry): "I'll give you five dollars to get me to the station in three minutes." Cabman (with provoking slowness): "Well, sorr, you might bribe me, but you can't bribe that horse."

The Professor: "Humph! Dear me! I gave that young man two courses on the cultivation of the memory and he's gone away and forgotten to pay me, and I can't for the life of me remember the fellow's name."

Mother: "Were you good at the party?" Six-Year-Old: "Yes." Mother: "You didn't ask twice for anything at the table?" Six-Year-Old: "No. I didn't. I asked once, and they didn't help me; so I helped myself."

Little Dot (to her doll): "Now remember, Dollie, the sun is to make us warm and the rain is to make things grow and the thunder is to—I guess that's to scare little children into the house so they won't get their feet wet."

A man dropped his wig on the street and a boy who was following close behind the loser, picked it up and handed it to him. "Thanks, my boy," said the owner of the wig, "you are the first genuine hair restorer I have ever seen."

A little six-year-old boy was taken on a journey from England to India, and in India the brightness of the moon seems specially to have struck the little fellow. He wrote home to his aunt: "Here we have a larger moon, and we keep it better polished."

"Ah, doctor, glad to meet you," said Mr. Forsyte. "I wish you'd drop around to the house at about nine this evening." "None of the children sick, I hope?" "No, but they will be when they get back from their grandmother's. They're there for supper."

A certain colored "professor" presented himself not long ago for examination for a teacher's license. It was in one of the rural districts. The first question in arithmetic was: "How many kinds of fractions are there?" The "professor" replied in writing, as follows: "There is two kinds of fractions—one above the line and one below."

A Frenchman was teaching in a large school where he had a reputation for making some queer mistakes. One day he had a class that was rather disorderly. What with the heat and troublesome boys he was very snappish. Having punished several boys and sent one to the bottom of the form, he at last shouted out in passion: "Ze whole class go to ze bottom."

In an address at a church congress several years ago, Dean Hole, speaking of long written sermons, told the story of the visiting curate, preaching at a neighboring church, who apologized to the clerk for preaching so short a sermon, the reason being that a dog got into his study and tore out several leaves. Whereupon the clerk gazed wistfully upon the minister, and asked, "Do you think you could spare our parson a pup?"

A school teacher having instructed a pupil to purchase a grammar, the next day received a note worded thus, from the child's mother: "I do not desire for Lulu shall engage in grammar, as I prefer her to engage in useful studies and can learn her how to spoke and write properly myself. I have went through two grammars and I can't say as they did me no good. I prefer her engage in German and drawing and vocal music on the piano."

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