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There is a saying current in the city of New York to this effect, "You can always tell a Boston man, but you can't tell him much."

"Boss, Ah's lookin' foh work." "All right, there's a ton of coal on the walk that must be brought up." "But, boss, dat's no work foh a lady; wife does washin'."

**THE SPICE OF LIFE.**

Minister—I'm sorry to find you coming out of a public house again, Hamish, after all you promised me.

Hamish—Ay, sir, it's wonderful what an awfu' deceivin' thing this mist is! D'ye ken, I went in there the noo thinkin' 'twas the butcher's shop.

The Scot is proverbially careful with money, but if the following be true, he is more careful than we before believed. The other day a wild-eyed Highlander entered a chemist's shop, and asked for "Twa pennorth o' Rough on Rats. Awm sick o' this life," he gasped out.

He was informed that it was only sold in sixpenny packets. He looked long and lovingly at his sixpence, and then said: "Then Aw'l no commit suicide the noo."

In 1862 an intimate friend of President Lincoln visited him in Washington, finding him rather depressed in spirits as the result of the reverses then repeatedly suffered by the Federal troops.

"This being President isn't all it is supposed to be, is it, Mr. Lincoln?" said his visitor.

"No," Lincoln replied, his eye twinkling for a moment. "I feel sometimes like the Irishman, who, after being ridden on a rail, said, 'If it wasn't for the honor av th' thing, I'd rather walk.'"

Mark Twain had finished his speech at a recent dinner party, and, on his seating himself, a lawyer rose, shoved his hands deep into his trouser pockets, as was his habit, and laughingly inquired of those present at the society dinner:

"Doesn't it strike this company as a little unusual that a professional humorist should be funny?"

When the laughter that greeted this sally had subsided, Mark Twain drawled out:

"Doesn't it strike this company as a little unusual that a lawyer should have his hands in his own pockets?"

When the late Senator Wolcott first went to Colorado, he and his brother opened a law office at Idaho Springs under the firm name of "Ed. Wolcott & Bro." Later the partnership was dissolved. The future senator packed his few assets, including the sign that had hung outside of his office, upon a burro and started for Georgetown, a mining town farther up in the hills.

Upon his arrival he was greeted by a crowd of miners who critically surveyed him and his outfit. One of them, looking first at the sign that hung over the pack, then at Wolcott, and finally at the donkey, ventured:

"Say, stranger, which of you is Ed?"

In the train between Rome and Naples some friends were smoking and discussing education in England and Italy. One of them suddenly said:

"I bet you \$100 that there are 100,000 people in London who cannot speak a word of English."

All accepted the bet, so he added: "And I will bet you \$200 that there are another 400,000 persons who can neither read nor write."

This also was accepted and proof demanded.

The first man thereupon drew out a list of statistics showing that in London there are 100,000 children under one year and another 400,000 of less than four years. The bettor left the car rich.

A Texas correspondent of Law Notes tells how an obstinate jurymen was circumvented by his fellow judges of the facts. The offense charged was assault with intent to murder. After the jury had been out about two hours, it returned the following verdict: "We, the jury, find the defendant guilty of aggravated assault, and assess his punishment as twenty-five dollars fine, and herewith pay the fine."

On inquiry as to the meaning of the last clause of the verdict, it came out that eleven of the jurors had agreed that the defendant was not guilty, but the twelfth doggedly hung out for a conviction for aggravated assault, and would not consent to a punishment less than a fine of twenty-five dollars. Finding it a hopeless task to bring over the obstinate one to their way of thinking, the eleven finally decided to agree with him, and "chipped in" enough to pay the fine.

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