

CHUCKLES.

Protested notes.—Those of the organ grinder.
 The rule of three.—For the third person to clear out.
 The mariner's compass has done some of the most important needle-work in the world.
 Motto that Russia would fain write across the map of Europe.—“ Bear and for Bear.”
 “ He handled his gun carelessly and put on his angel plumage,” is the latest obituary notice from Arkansas.
 When the curtain at the theatre takes a drop the majority of the males in the audience immediately go out to follow suit.
 China and Japan buy Yankoe dried apples freely. Thus does American industry help to swell the population of the Orient.
 Kansas school teacher: “ Where does all our grain go to?” “ Into the hopper.” “ What hopper?” “ Grass-hopper!” triumphantly shouted a scholar.
 A comic paper says: “ The festive oyster now gets into stews and broils.” Probably, like others, he would avoid these difficulties if he kept his mouth shut.
 A dealer advertises “ Lightning Fruit Jars.” They may be a new brand, but for lightening fruit jars there is nothing more successful than the small boy and solitude.
 Eyes yet they see not—potatoes. Ears yet they hear not—corn. Mouths yet they speak not—rivers. Hands yet they feel not—clocks. Brains yet they think not—dudes.
 “ Are you well acquainted with your mother tongue, my boy?” asked the school teacher of a new scholar. “ Yes sir,” answered the lad timidly. “ Ma jaws me a good deal, sir.”
 Excited Sister.—I wish I was a June bug.
 Parson.—Whaffor, Sister Snowball?
 Sister.—So I could fly ter de heavenly mansions.
 Parson.—Fool niggah, woodpucker ketch yer befoah you gits outen de woods.
 Grandma—Clara, do you think your mother would approve of your sitting up so late? Clara—Why, grandma, it was only half-past ten when Frank left last evening. Grandma—Clara, your grandma happened to be awake just as Frank was leaving, and didn't she heard him say: “ Now, Clara, just one.”
 PLEASANT FOR THE HOSTESS.—Bridget (who has been sent to crack some nuts in preparation for Mrs. Blank's little dinner party, to be held during the evening, enters with a few badly cracked upon a plate): “ An' indade, Missus Blank, Oi'il lose no place before Oi break me tatho a-tackin' any more of thim nuts. Me jaw's all lame now, as it is, so it is.”—*Lit.*
 MAKING THE BEST OF IT.—The Squire: “ Well, Mould, how about that horse I sold you? Was he quiet enough?” Undertaker: “ Well, sir, he *did* give us a little trouble at first. We put him in one of the mourning coaches, you know; and parties don't like to be shook up in their grief. But we've put him in the *coarse* now—and we hav'n't 'eard any complaints so far!”—*Punch.*
 “ George, dear,” said a very young wife to her husband, “ I've had a talk with the servants this morning, and have agreed to raise their wages. They said every thing was so dear. rent so high, and meat and butter and things had risen to such a fearful price—that—everything considered, especially as you have often said the same yourself—I thought it was but reasonable, you know.”
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 Doctor—Well, Pat, my friend, do you notice any change for the better since you have been under my treatment.
 Pat—Begorra, doether, an' I don't. The troot is, doc, I can't follow your directions. It is no use. I've tried it tree or four times an' its no use nt all.
 Doctor—What is the difficulty, Pat? Which part of the directions do you find yourself unable to follow?
 Pat—Why, you know, doether, you say on the bottle of the medicine what you gave me: “ To be taken tree times a day, afther sitin' in wather.” I got in a tank of wather, like the fish man in the dime mooseum, but the devil a bit could I ate. I like to dhrowned intirely. It's no good to try to ate tree times a day in wather. Faith, I couldn't do it onco a munt. I ain't no mermaid.
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