

**Shameful.**

The Boot and Shoe Recorder chronicles a curiosity of advertising—a placard displayed in a shop window. Thus:

Slippers  
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Mothers will be presented with a fine well-made rattan carpet-beater with every pair of shoes. Bring the boy with you and we will show you how to use it.

**Very Convenient.**

"Lightning knocked the church steeple down," some one said to Brother Dickey. "Yes; Satan's eyes always flash fire when he sees a church steeple gwine up." "And here's a colored brother killed another at a camp-meeting."

"Yes; Satan goes ter meetin' long wid de res' er dem, en sometimes shonts de loudes'."

"And a preacher was drowned in the river last week."

"Oh, yes; Satan's in de water, too. He bleege ter go dar ter cool off."

"So you blame everything on Satan, do you?"

"Bless God," was the reply, "ain't dat what he's fer?"

**Not Quite what he Meant.**

The man who thought he had the knack of saying pleasant things, calculated to warm the cockles of the oldest heart, was revisiting the town in which he had spent a summer twenty years before.

"I'm Miss Mears. I don't know as you recall me," said a coquetish elderly spinster, approaching him in the post-office the day after his arrival.

The ready heart-warmer turned with his most beaming smile, and wrung her hand.

"Recall you!" he echoed, reproachfully. "As if one could help it, Miss Mears! Why! you are one of the landmarks of the town!"

**What He Meant.**

In a suburb of Philadelphia lives an old German couple named Skimmekop. The husband, Fritz, has two dogs, of which he is very fond. One is a pup, while the other is quite old; but, as sometimes occurs with dogs of different breeds, the old dog is much smaller than the six-month-old puppy.

"Dere was somedings funny about dem dog alrearty," said Fritz, who was showing them to a friend the other day. "Dot leetlest dog was de niggest." Mrs. Skimmekop, realizing that her husband had not made the point quite clear, thought she had better come to his assistance.

"You must excuse mine husband," she said. "De English languidge he knows not good. Vot he means is dat de young-est dog was de oldest."

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Teacher—"And what is meant by keeping the Sabbath holy?"

Ethel—"It means—it means to think of something you would like to do, oh, ever so much, and then not doing it, 'cause it's Sunday."

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