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WITH the easy grace of those who are accustomed by long habit two persons swung and swayed upon the street-car. As they chatted pleasantly a man sitting near arose and offered his seat to a lady. And then one of the original two commented to his neighbor: "I've been riding on this line for eight years," he said, "and I have never given up my seat to a lady." "Then you have never had any manners," snubbed the friend, severely. "Not so," answered the first. "I have never had any seat."

LOCAL lawyer the other day recalled an experience of his when, as a newly fledged barrister, he was called upon to arbitrate in a compensation case in regard to certain slum property. Accompanied by an official from the City Hall he proceeded to inspect the houses-there were six of them—and directly they set foot in the first one they noticed a distinctly disagreeable smell. In the second it was the same—only more so. The third one they entered was even worse. The official sniffed and sniffed. "What an unpleasant-ahem-odor," he said at length. "Can it be the drains?" The owner of the property shook his head. "Can't be the drains," he replied emphatically, "there ain't none."

"G OOD-MORNING, judge," said the prisoner, cheerfully. "You seem in a good humor for a man who has spent the night in jail." "So I am, your honor. I had a good night's rest and that always refreshes me. You see, my wife is a timorous woman and when I sleep at home I'm compelled to investigate many strange noises. No doubt there were burglars all around me last night, but I didn't have to get out of bed and look for them."-Birmingham Age-Herald.

* N a small town where something of importance happens perhaps once a year signs were posted on every tree and pole which read, "He is coming. He is coming." About two weeks later new signs appeared proclaiming, "He is here. He is here. He is at the Town Hall to-night. Admission, 10 cents." All the townsfolk, enticed by the prospect of seeing a distinguished person, gathered at the hall at the time appointed. At 8 o'clock the curtain was raised displaying a large sign which read: "He has gone."

D OROTHEA'S aunt was visiting with Dorothea's somewhat wealthy and particular parents, who had brought up their daughter after their own manner. The aunt and the girl were about to go out, when the girl observed: "Are you going out, auntie? You've got a hole in your veil." "Have I?" replied the aunt. "I'm afraid I haven't time to change it now." "Oh, well, it's not a very big one," replied the girl, "and, after all, I don't suppose any one will know you're my aunt."

"How do you like being a soldier?" "All right," answered the enlisted actor, according to Judge. "But our manager is a fiend for rehearsals."



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