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The baby was slow about talking, and his aunt was deploring that fact. Four-year-old Elizabeth listened anxiously.

"Oh, mother," she ventured at length, "do you think he'll grow up English? We couldn't any of us understand him if he turned out to be French!"

A New Breakfast Food

"Do you know the 'Autocrat of the Breakfast Table,' Mr. Tinkham?" asked a lady of her host at a rural dinner-party.

"Well, really, now, I don't know," he replied. "We've tried so many of them breakfast foods I can't keep track of 'em, Maria," he called to his wife across the table, "have we ever tried the water-cracker of the breakfast-table?"

A Great Cure

Mark Twain, in the course of the recent Pilgrims' dinner in New York, talked of his pet aversion.

"Christian Science," he said, "reminds me of the apple cure for drunkenness. In Hannibal, in my boyhood, the apple cure was very highly esteemed. I remember once hearing the Hannibal town drunkard expatiate on the apple cure.

"You believe in it, then, do you, Hank?" a listener asked.

"Believe in it? How can I help believe in it?" the drunkard said excitedly. "Ain't it cured me eight times?"

What Struck Him

An inquiring lady, known to a writer in Blackwood's Magazine, recently asked a private soldier to tell her some of his experiences in war.

Tommy, who was Irish, tried to get out of it by saying that nothing had ever happened to him, but the lady was persistent.

"Something must have happened," she declared. "Now tell me, in all your experience in South Africa, what was it that struck you most?"

"Well, ma'am," said Tommy, after some cogitation, "th' thing that struck me most was th' number of bullets that missed me."

Spanish Proverbs

The following are some of the most pertinent every-day proverbs of the Spanish people:

"The web will grow no wider when you have killed the spider."

"God helps the early riser."

"The wolf and the fox never come to hard knocks."

"He who goes to bed with dogs will get up with fleas."

"Let the giver be silent and the taker speak."

"Stabs heal, but bad words never."

"A peach that is spotted will never be potted."

"Wed with a maid that all your life

You've known and have believed.

Who rides ten leagues to find a wife

Deceives or is deceived."

"Every man in his own house, and

God in everybody's."

"A long tongue leaves a short web."

"Pray! but swing your hammer."

"When we lie in wait for a neighbor,

the devil lies in wait for us."

"God sends the cold according to our

rags."

One day a little boy went out in the

country to visit his grandmother. That

evening his grandmother picked a chicken.

"O grandma!" the boy exclaimed, "do you undress the chickens

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