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A Cure for Deafness.

It is said there are none so deaf as those who will not hear. For such people the famous preacher, Mr. Spurgeon, seemed to have a cure. He was told by his friend, the Rev. Dr. John Robertson, that he used to feel annoyed at a young man who, not caring for the strong Gospel doctrine he preached, sat with a finger in each ear. What was to be done in such a case? "Oh," said Mr. Spurgeon, "pray for a fly to settle on his nose!"

Harvesting.

A little girl and her aunt went for a walk out on Union Street the other day, and as they walked the aunt caught her skirt on the sharp edge of her shoe heel and tore off several inches of lace.

"Won't you tear it off for me, dear?" she asked. "I cannot mend it now."

The accommodating little girl dropped on her knee and for several minutes there was a sound as of tearing goods—really much more tearing than was necessary to remove a piece of lace only half an inch wide.

"Haven't you finished yet?" finally asked the aunt.

"Yes," said the little girl, rising wearily. "I was taking all this off. I wanted enough for my doll's skirt while I was at it, and the little bit you tore wouldn't do."

A Thorough Britisher.

An illustrated paper called *Life*, published in New York, recently made some sneering remarks concerning the British generals who have been managing the campaign in South Africa. This aroused the ire of a little girl in Toronto. As a staunch Britisher she felt it her duty to protest, which she did in a letter sent to the publishers, with the request that it be published. The next issue of *Life* contained her epistle exactly as written. The following is a copy:

Dear "*Life*,"—Please do not put such things about our generals in your paper, you are jelles. You have not such a good general as Lord Kitchener was or is, he's a great deal better than your old teddy Roosevelt. Please publish this letter.

Your interested Joke reader,
(English.) BARBARA BLACKSTOCK.

The parents of the youngster were quite surprised when they saw their daughter's literary effusion in print, as they had no knowledge of her sending the letter.

A Browning Story.

The following story of Browning is well authenticated. One day he received a letter stamped with a coronet, inviting him to the wedding of two persons of whom he had no previous knowledge. Prompted by curiosity, he accepted the invitation. After the ceremony, the bride and groom enlightened him regarding the matter. The bride had long been an intense admirer and careful student of Browning, but discovered one day that her affianced, an officer of a crack London regiment, had no knowledge of his writings. Disgusted, she declared that she would not marry a man who was totally ignorant of her favorite poet, and forthwith broke the engagement. Six months after, the young man ventured to call upon her again and asked to be catechised on Browning. She found that he had familiarized himself thoroughly with Browning's poems and could even pass an examination on "The Ring and the Book." Such proof of devotion won her heart anew, and she affirmed that Robert Browning must come to their wedding and learn the part he had unwittingly played in their separation and final union.

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We sometimes hear men make the above statement, but we never do so without feeling that the man who makes the statement is very short-sighted. There is very much to be learned, even by wise men, through reading the advertisements of some individuals or companies, and we have reason to believe that much of value has been learned from the reading that has appeared in this space by the Leaguers who are its subscribers. If, however, they had learned only the two facts that total abstainers are better risks for life insurance than non-abstainers, and that they can get better terms from THE TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, than from any other company, they would have been repaid for reading our advertisements.

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