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wishes to make a purchase, you need not try to make yourself agreeable to her by your conversation. The chances are that she knows more about the topics you choose than you do, and she will think you an ass; whereas, if you keep your mouth shut, you may be as big an ass as you please, for you don't look an ass, Tape. Asses are known by their bray and ears. You can keep silent and pin your ears down under your collar. If a man's wife elopes with a hotel waiter, colored, and the bereaved husband drops in to buy any little article, it might vex him if you were to inquire "how the old lady likes her swap," or to tell him that she seemed to be always making mistakes. He will probably think you mean to be personal, and will most likely retort in language unmistakably so. If any of your fellow clerks are females and pretty, if you must kiss them during business hours, beware of doing it with your heads in an empty packing case, for though no one will see you, the reverberation of the osculation will be terrific, and will probably bring your employer to the spot with your weekly \$4.37 and a free pass out of his emporium. By bearing this negative advice in mind, you may avoid becoming what a number of young men in dry good stores are—unmitigated nuisances.

"We are a party of young amateur actors, and wish to surprise our friends with the production of some new play. You can, doubtless, suggest something that will have that effect: please do so.—Roscius." Certainly; there is a drama that will about hit the mark, if you can procure a copy, though we do not know if that is possible, as the company who acted it here had their own M.S. parts with them. It is entitled Uncle Tom's Cabin, and it is nearly a week since it was performed here last.

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