

CHUCKLES.

"Call me back again," said the young man. But the audience didn't. They had enough, and he didn't get a hand.

"Pompey, de corn's tip." "De corn up! Why, I only planted it yesterday." "I know dat; but the pigs in last night and guv it a lift."

A little girl who was much perted, said: "I like sitting on a gentleman's knee better than on a lady's; don't you, mamma?"

"How is it that you have never kindled a flame in any man's heart?" asked a rich lady of her portionless niece. "I suppose, aunt, it is because I am not a good match," replied the poor niece.

A **Ric Swallow.**—(At a public show.) Countryman: "Isn't it wonderful! Why, the man can swallow a large sword!" Sober Aristocrat (fond of his glass): "That's nothing; I have sent a manor house and estate down my throat."

"I've been on this road ten years," said the conductor on a Southern railroad to a passenger who complained of the slow time, "an' I know what I'm talking about." "Ten years, eh?" said the passenger. "What station did you get on at?"

Vigilant mother: "My son, why did you so far forget yourself as to throw stones at little Sammy Willis?" Irrepressible Imp: "Well, mother, I heard Mrs. Willis sing 'Rock my baby,' and as Sam's her only child, I rocked him."

A Lynn clergyman relates that on one occasion, after marrying a couple, an envelope was handed to him which he supposed, of course, contained the marriage fee. On opening it he found a slip of paper on which was written: "We desire your prayers."

Minister: "Well, John, I've nas doct, frse your long experience, ye good occupy the poopit for an sternune yeasel, should an emergency occur." Huddle: "Hoots, aye, sir, there's nas difficulty in that; but, then, where in the hael parish wed ye get anybody qualified to act as huddle?"

A barrister, noticing that the court had gone to sleep, stopped short in the middle of his speech. The sudden silence awoke the judges, and the lawyer gravely resumed: "As I remarked yesterday, my lords"—The puzzled judges stared at each other, as though they half believed they had been asleep since the previous day.

Augustus dared at last to squeeze Angelica's hand the other night, but was completely overwhelmed when she began to cry. "Have I offended you, Miss Angelica?" he asked in anguish. "N-n-o," said she, brokenly, between her sobs, "b-but I wish, if you are going to make love to me, you'd take the other hand. I've g-got a r-ring on that one."

A brakeman in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company is a very obliging person and thoughtful withal. An excursion party, which included many young men and women, recently made a trip from Albany to St. George, and, as the train would near a tunnel, of which there are a good many on the line, he would call out in stentorian tones: "Gents, choose your partners for the tunnel."

A young man from the country, on his return from a visit to London, was informing his friends he had been doing all the lions, as he called it. "Who did you see them with?" said a chaffing friend, "some lady I'll be bound." The blushing confusion of the young countryman proved the case. "Who was she?" said the persistent chaffer. "Why the Lady of Lyons, of course," replied a wag.

An Irishman employed by a firm under the hill recently went to J. R. Booth's glazing shop for some glass, when the following colloquy took place: Visitor: "Mr. Pauchaud, I am after fixing the windys on the top of Mr. B's shop, and I want twinty lights of 14x10 glass." Mr. P.: "I haven't any 14x10, but plenty of 10x14." Visitor (after meditating deeply awhile and then looking up with a satisfied expression): "Be jibers, I will take the 10x14. I can turn it around, and, faith, they won't know the difference."

Here is an extract from a forthcoming novel, the scene of which is laid in New Jersey: "Proud, false one!" exclaimed Reginald bitterly; "you refuse me because you think I am still poor! Know then, haughty girl, that my father is a Camden clergyman, and is coming money marrying Pennsylvania couples. I am his only heir." "Oh, Reginald," cried the designing girl, throwing herself into his arms; "you have misconstrued my words! I love you madly, passionately, devotedly, and I am yours for ever." The story is supposed to be founded on fact.—*Norristown Herald*

Jenny, the kitchen maid at Kippoch manse, was sent by the minister's wife to invite Mrs. and Miss Snawlip to take tea with her at five o'clock in the afternoon. Jenny solemnly delivered her message: "My mistress sent me over to ask ye if ye could come tea this afternoon, after five o'clock." "Yes, tell your mistress we will be most happy to come," replied Mrs. Snawlip, graciously. "And was that all you were told to say?" "Ay; but she said that if ye were cumin' I wis tae gang intae the baker's an' get twa loaves, an' if no' I wisna' tae mind," was the simple reply.

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