

WITS





Old Scotch Farmer (having spent sixpence on a raffle ticket for a pony and trap, value £50, and having won it, is shown the prize.

After gazing critically at it for some minutes), "But whaur's the whup?"—Punch.

WHERE THE ACCENT LAY.

'Now, sir,' said Sir James Scarlet to the musical expert witness, T. Cooke, 'you say the two melodies are the same, but differ-What do you mean by that, sir?' 'I ent. What do you mean by that, sir?' 'I meant the notes were the same, but the accent different.' 'Accent! What is musical accent?' 'My terms are a guinea a lesson.' 'Don't mind your terms here, sir. Come, sir, tell me what is musical accent. Can you see it?' 'No.' 'Can you feel it?' 'Yes.' 'Come, sir, none of this beating about the bush, but tell the court and jury the meaning of what you none of this beating about the bush, but tell the court and jury the meaning of what you call accent." 'Accent in music is the same as emphasis in speech. If I were to say "You are an ASS," the accent rests on ass. But if I were to say, "YOU are an ass," it rests on you, Sir James.' When the laughter of the court had died down. I all Down the you, Sir James? When the laughter of the court had died down, Lord Denman, the judge, asked gravely, 'Are you satisfied, Sir James?'—'T. P.'s Weekly,' London.

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SANDY GOT THE PRIZE.

Towards the end of an examination in music at a school to the north of the Tweed the inspector, wishing to leave a good impression behind him, offered a prize of sixpence to the boy who gave the best answer to the following question:—'Which is the sweetest instrument?' Among the many eager faces the inspector particularly noticed one boy waving his hand and muttering, 'Please, sir! please, sir!' as he excitedly endeavored to attract his attention first. 'Well, Sandy. what is it?' he asked. 'Please, sir, a toffy whistle,' was the reply. The inspector, much amused, awarded Sandy the prize. music at a school to the north of the Tweed

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During his three days' visit to Glasgow the Prince of Wales laid three memorial stones, opened new buildings at the University, and received, along with the Princess, the freedom of the city, an LLD degree, and three caskets, to say nothing of trowels, gold keys, and the seven bouquets specified in the official programme. We understand, however, that there is no truth in the rumor that at breakfast, on the morning of his departure, the Prince remarked, with sheer force of habit, as he tapped the shell of an egg, 'I declare this egg to be well and truly laid. Please pass the pepper castor.'—'Punch.'

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SOMETHING REALLY WONDERFUL.

The teacher was giving an object-lesson on

the chicken.
'Now, tell me something very wonderful about chickens,' said she.

'How they get out of the shells,' exclaimed one boy

'Well,' said the teacher, 'that is wonderful, but I mean something more wonderful still.'

No one spoke for a little, and then one little boy held up his hand. Well, Johnny!' said the teacher.

'How they ever got into them, was the reply.



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