

## CHIT-CHAT AND CHUCKLES.

## A SMILE AND A FROWN.

Only a frown; yet it pressed a sting  
 Into the day which had been so glad;  
 The red rose turned to a scentless thing,  
 The bird song ceased with discordant ring,  
 And a heart was heavy and sad.

Only a smile! yet it cast a spell  
 Over the sky which had been so gray;  
 The rain made music wherever it fell,  
 The wind sang the song of a marriage bell,  
 And a heart was light and gay.

*Emma C. Dowd, in Frank Leslie's.*

A green old age is all right. It is the green young age that is dangerous.

A mile is as good as a mile. This is probably why a man doesn't feel the distance when he has got a nice girl with him.

Tom.—There is one mighty agreeable thing about calling on an old maid.

Jack.—What is that?

Tom.—She doesn't bore you to death by talking about "old times."

"You are just like this warm spring weather, George," said she smilingly.

"Why?" asked the delighted youth. "Because you always give me that tired feeling."

ELEVATION DESIRABLE.—Lady (with high hat)—I beg your pardon, but I forgot my opera glass. Would you kindly lend me yours just a moment? Tyrant Man (in seat behind)—Very sorry, madam, but I need it to sit on.

## A QUEER SITUATION.

The look on the face of a woman  
 Is the queerest that ever was known  
 As she praises her neighbor's baby  
 While she holds in her arms her own.

Spokesman for Party.—"Will you tell the minister, please, while that there's so much fever a-going 'round, our parents don't want us to come to Sunday School; and please can you tell us in what pond his son caught that big fish yesterday?"

Ethel.—"I hope the men are not going to wear those horrid broad brimmed straw hats again this season."

Maud.—"Why?"

Ethel.—"Because they mustn't bang up so."

NOT WHAT HE WANTED.—Jamie's father had taken him to see the baby.

"There, my son," he said, "is a little sister for you. Won't she be a nice present?"

"Yes," replied Jamie, "she's nice enough, I reckon, but I'd rather have a goat."

—His mother had warned him particularly against making any allusions to Uncle Philip's hair. At the dinner table he looked long and searchingly at his relative and then remarked plaintively: "I don't see why you didn't want me to say anything about uncle's hair, mamma—he ain't got any anyway."

PRESENCE OF MIND.—Jockey.—Fadder, a shentlemans half fallen troo do coal hole!

Isaac.—Clap to cover of r him kervick, mien sohn, vile I runs for a policeman. Ve must arrest him for tryin' to steal te coal or he'll sue us for tamagons!

Mrs. Women's Righter.—If they refuse to pass the measure I desire, I'll cause the meeting to adjourn.

Her friend.—How can you do that? You are not president.

Mrs. Women's Righter.—I have a mouse in this box, and if they don't do as I want them I'll set it loose.

"Hello, old fellow!" "Why, how are you, comrade?" "Let me see, why can't I call your name? Your face is familiar to me as my own." "And I must have met you a thousand times, but I can't think of your name to save my life." "I'm the three-dollar-shoe man." "I'm the facial soap man." "Oh!" "Oh!" They shake hands with much enthusiasm.

## AND NOT IN THE PUBLIC STREETS.

I do not mind these monstrous trains  
 That all the women wear,  
 Nor that they raise such clouds of dust  
 Do I a copper care.

But I am very free to say  
 'I would save them lots of rack  
 If only they would run their trains  
 Upon a private track.

HOW SHE HEEDED HIS WORDS.—"Remember, dear," said the venerable father as he sent his youngest and most petted daughter away to boarding school, "that all my hopes are now centered on you. Remember in all your struggles for intellectual supremacy, your triumphs, your defeats and your temptations, that a good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

"I will, father," replied the weeping girl, and the train bore her away. Will it be believed that three years later that girl married a man who bore the villainous name of Gundershanks.

## VEST POCKET SPELLER.

A good thing for poor spellers—find any word at once, 22,800, indexed, defines, and shows when to drop B at the end of words when ed or ing is added. Distinguishes words pronounced alike but spelled differently.

S. G. SNELL, Windsor.

## VERY MANY SUCH.



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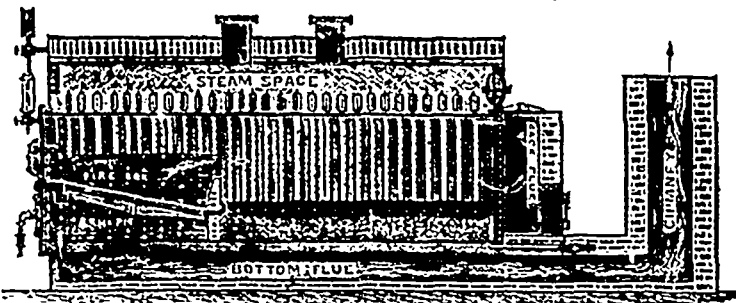
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