

FRIEND—"Your office closes at two o'clock on Saturdays, Brown. How do you spend the rest of the afternoon?"

BROWN (*a man of family*)—"Buying shoes,"—*Epoch*.

"I TELL you, Brown," moralized Dumley, "life ain't what it is cracked up to be. You get up in the morning, go through the usual daily routine, and then to bed at night. Same thing day in and day out. There is a good deal in the old question, 'Is life worth living?'" concluded Dumley with a sigh, "and I realize it more and more!"

"I don't know but what you're right, Dumley," responded Brown, somewhat depressed. "Wont you go around the corner and have a drink?"

"No, I haven't time; I'm on my way to the doctor's. I caught a little cold this morning and I feel kind of nervous about it."—*Epoch*.

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ROUKE—"How could that be—it is crazy yez are?"

HOULIHAN—"Sure, whin Oirland's fit to live in, and the emigratin' shtops, how the divil are we goin' to kape up our majorities on this soide."—*Puck*.

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MISS CLARA—"How romantic! Who was your brave rescuer, Ethel?"

MISS ETHEL—"A park policeman, Clara; I was too disappointed for anything!"—*New York Sun*.

THEY were riding together in the moonlight, and he was trying hard to think of something pleasant to say. All of a sudden she gave a slight shiver.

"Are you cold, Miss Hattie," he asked, anxiously. "I will put my coat around you, if you like."

"Well, yes," said she, shyly, with another little shiver. "I am a little cold, I confess, but you needn't put your coat around me; one of the sleeves will do."—*Somerville Journal*.

LADY (*to floor walker*)—"I want to look at something very handsome in the way of striped silk stockings."

FLOOR WALKER—"Yes, madam." (*To saleswoman*)—"Miss Parker, will you show this lady that new line of windy weather goods?"

LITTLE ELSIE—"Oh, Mr. Bull! When did you get well?"

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