

HUMOROUS.

Old Grimes is dead—that good old man we ne'er shall see him more. He used to wear a long tailed-coat, All buttoned down before.

Why mourn for Grimes?—his daughters live; On Fashion's streets we find 'em. And still they wear "Old Grimes's coat," All buttoned down behind 'em.

A story is told of a young man who was crossed in love and attempted suicide by taking a dose of yeast powder. He immediately rose above his troubles.

"Well, Bridget, if I engage you I shall want you to stay at home whenever I wish to go out." "Well, ma'am, I have no objection," said Bridget, "providin' you do the same when I wish to go out."

Carnarvon gave a good reason for not believing the theories of Darwin and other scientists on the subject of the origin of man. "If I believed this," he said, "I shouldn't dare to strike a mule for fear I might injure some blood relation."

"What shall I do with this unsightly heap of rubbish, Pat?" "Dig a hole and bury it," answered the man of invention. "Ah! yes, Pat; but what am I to do with the dirt I dig out of the hole?" "Well, sir, I would advise you to dig a hole big enough for the whole of it."

A Methodist minister, the Rev. Mr. H., was a good man, but rough in his ways, and very fond of chewing tobacco.

One day he was caught in a shower in Illinois, and going to a rude cabin near by, he knocked at the door. A sharp-looking old dame answered his summons. He asked for shelter.

"I don't know you," she replied, suspiciously. "Remember the Scriptures," said the dominie. "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

"You needn't say that," quickly returned the other; "no angel would come down here with a big quid of tobacco in his mouth!"

She shut the door in his face, leaving the good man to the mercy of the rain and his own reflection.

Young Bummelhaus has just been discharged by his employer, old Twopercnt. The facts are as follows:—Bummelhaus had just returned from a trip over the State. His trip had been very satisfactory to himself, perhaps, but not to his employer.

When Bummelhaus called in to see the old man the latter was as mad as the mischief. He said:—"I don't believe you makes any effort to sell goods. Ven I va-h-a drummer I always sold goods to de merchants no matter ven dey don't want any. I made de acquaintance vevy evybody."

Bummelhaus came very near replying that it was the reputation of his principal that prevented him from selling anything, but he restrained himself. "How did you use to manage to sell goods when you were a drummer?" "I will show you all about dat. Schoot you sits dows in chairs. You pees a country merchant. I plays now de drummer."

"All right," says Bummelhaus; "I'll be a country merchant, and I will show you how they do." Bummelhaus pretended to be writing at his desk, and old Twopercnt came up from one side bowing and scraping. "Good morning. Can't I sell you some goods?" "Who the h—ll are you?" says Bummelhaus, looking up. "I travels for de Galveston firm of Twopercnt." "You do, do you? So you travel for that infern I old thief, do you? Take that!" and to impress upon his employer the difficulties of drumming up trade, Bummelhaus kicked the old man four or five times, pushed him up in a corner and choked him for awhile, and then told the old gentleman, who was speechless with bona fide rage, "If you ever come in here again I'll not leave a whole bone in your carcase."—Galveston News.

A Discovery. A room, kept by a woman, where other women meet to play poker, has been discovered in Cincinnati. A rule of the house was that every lady should leave in time to reach home before her husband, so as to be on hand to blow him up for staying out so late.—Philadelphia News.

Struck with a Provocation. Moriarty, who had been insulted by Schmidt appeared before him in a San Francisco police court.

"Did he have a provocation to strike you?" the justice asked. "He may have something of the kind concealed about his person, but it was a brick he struck me wid," replied Moriarty.

Rough on the Campbells. A Macdonald and some Campbells happened to meet on the road from their respective churches, and compared notes as to what they had heard. "Weel," said the Macdonald, "our discourse was real fine, but I never kent before how terribly strong the Scripture goes against you Campbells."

"What's that ye're saying, Tonal?" asked one of the Argyle men. "Oo, 'twas the minister gave it out himself, and I'm fery sure it's real Go pel truth, whatever." "Well," says one Campbell, "and what's the Scripture sayin' about us?" "It's sa in," answered Donald, quoting chapter and verse, "it's easier for a rich man to go through the eye of a needle than for a camel to enter the kingdom of heaven."

The Benevolent-Looking Farmer and the Three City Boys. "Any chestnuts 'round here?" asked one of three city boys, who met an aged, benevolent-looking farmer out in Montgomery county. The old man hesitated. "You don't want to steal 'em?" he asked. "Oh no. We just wanted to find out."

"Well, there's a few trees back there; but, if I thought you wanted to steal them, I wouldn't have told you, for the owner's gone to town. But you're bright, honest-looking boys." The boys blushed with the pride of conscious goodness. "When will the owner be back?" "Well, not before dark, I reckon." The boys respect fully thanked the old man, waited till he got out of sight, jumped the fence, and were soon shaking down the burrs. The shaking was easy; but the opening of the chestnut-burrs was more difficult and unpleasant. At last the boys had a splendid pile of handsome brown nuts on the ground, and they prepared to put them in the bags they brought with them. "Please don't take any more trouble," said the benevolent old man, who stood by the fence, beaming kindly on the startled boys. "I'm not so strong as I once was, and I fear I can't hold in this dog much longer."

"If you'll hurry, though, I guess I can keep him here till you get to the railroad track. Down, Tige, sir!" As the boys looked back from the railroad fence, they could see the stooping figure of the old man scooping the rich brown chestnuts into a two bushel bag.

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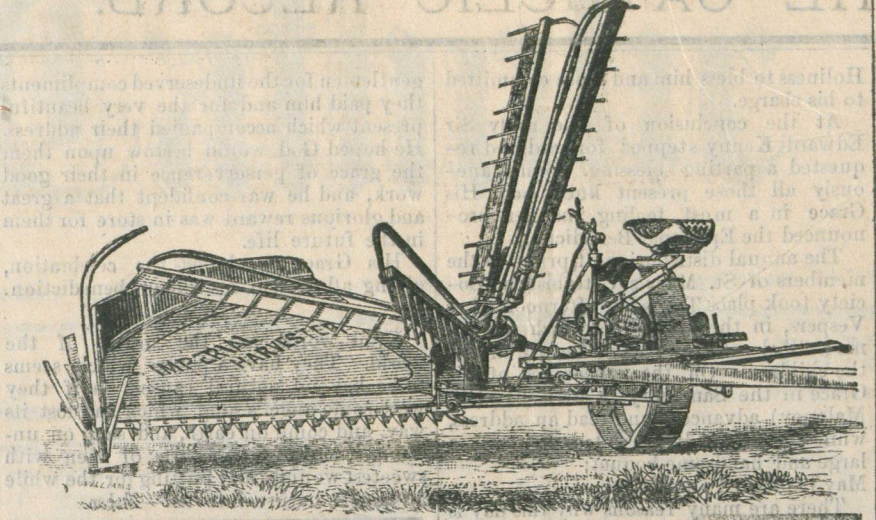
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