

More Than His Share.

"Martha, does thee love me?" asked a Quaker youth of one at whose shrine his heart's fondest feelings had been offered up.

"Why, Seth," answered she, "we are commanded to love one another, are we not?"

"Aye, Martha; but does thee regard me with that feeling that the world calls love?"

"I hardly know what to tell thee, Seth; I have greatly feared that my heart was an erring one; I have tried to bestow my love on all; but I may have sometimes thought, perhaps, that thee was getting rather more than thy share."

The Senator's Italian.

A prominent senator, who claims to be rather more cultivated than some of his colleagues, prides himself on his knowledge of Italian. During a recent visit to New York, he patronized a street boot-blacking stand, and as he got into the seat directed the bootblack, in his best Italian, to make haste, as he was trying to catch a train.

The bootblack stared at the senator for a moment in apparent perplexity, then answered, briefly:

"Me no speak English."

A newsboy standing on the corner had witnessed the incident with interest.

"He ain't no Frenchman," he observed, confidentially, as the senator got down from the stand, "he's a Dago. Talks Italian."

"So I Quit."

A western paper tells of the janitor of a city school who threw up his job one day, and when asked by a friend what the trouble was said:

"Well, 'tis this: I'm honest, and I won't stand bein' hounded. If I ever found a pencil or anything else in the school when I was sweepin' out I always gave it to the principal; but just the same, the teachers, or some one that's too mean to face me, gives me the sur."

"In that way?" asked the friend.

"Well, just this: A little while ago I saw written on the board, 'Find the common multiple.' Well, I didn't say a word, but I searched from garret to cellar, and I couldn't find the thing. Well, again last night, in big writin' on the same board, it said, 'Find the common divisor.' Well, I says to myself, says I, 'both them things be lost now, and I'll get blamed for sweepin' 'em; so I'll quit.'"

Chinese "Wit."

A traveller in the Orient says that in China he found no wit or imagination, but tells the following incidents, which prove that the Chinaman has good unconscious substitutes for one or the other:

One day in Shanghai, when I was feeling sick, I called a Chinaman to me and said, "John, do you have good doctors in China?"

"Good doctors," he said, "China have best doctors in world."

"Eudon, over there," I said pointing to a house covered with a doctor's sign, "do you call him a good doctor?"

"Eudon good doctor!" he exclaimed.

"He great! He best, doctor in China. He save my life once!"

"You don't say so!" I said. "How was it?"

"Me velly sick," he said, confidentially. "Me callee Doctor Han Kou. Givee some medicine. Get velly, velly sick."

"Me callee Doctor Sam Sing. Givee more medicine. Me grow worse. Going to die! Blimey call Doctor Eudon. He no got time, no come. Lie savee my life!"

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