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Which?

A little city-bred boy who had never seen a cow, was on a visit to his uncle's in the country. He was walking across a field, when he saw a cow.

"What is that, uncle?"

"Why, that is only a cow," was the reply.

"What are those things on her head?"

"Horns," said uncle.

The two walked on and presently the cow moaned loud and long. The boy was amazed, and looking back, he exclaimed: "Which horn did he blow, uncle?"

On a Business Footing

Like most negroes, Dr. Booker Washington possesses a fund of humor, and in his colored brethren. In the following story he tells of a dusky pastor who was having some difficulty with his flock.

"The old fellow came to me and asked me to help him out. I went down to the little backwoods country church with him one Sunday. Incidentally I took occasion to inquire among the parishioners a little, and found that they had not paid the old man his salary.

"Upon this basis of information I started to admonish the members of the congregation. I told them that they should pay their pastor; that he had to live; that he had to have his salary. All in all, I was making a pretty good speech. I had most of the congregation convinced, I think.

"But there was one old fellow in the back of the church that was mumbling during my talk. He would snicker a little, and duck his eyes below the old soft hat he held up to his face.

"'We ain't goin' to pay 'im any more salary this year.'

"The old fellow became so obstreperous that I re-monstrated with him.

"'Brother, why are you not going to pay your pastor more salary?'

"'Because we done paid him for them same sermons last y'ar,' was the decisive response."

The Passing Moments

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