



### A FALSE REPORT.

JIMSON—"I heard you had raised a moustache."

BILLKINS—"So I have; don't you see it?"

JIMSON—"But you haven't raised it; it's down yet!"

### PHILOLOGICAL.

The Fans are the only people in equatorial Africa who have a currency, and they are strong mono-metallists. The money is of iron, wrought into pieces resembling rusty hairpins with flat heads. They are put up in bundles of ten, and one hundred bundles is the marked price of a wife.—*Ex.*

THIS, no doubt, explains the origin of the expression, "That's the kind of a hairpin I am," which has long puzzled the philologists. The woman who fetched 200 or 500 bundles of hairpins would naturally feel disposed to boast of her superior charms, and depreciate those of her cheaper sisters, and her exultation over the number of those toilet articles required for her purchase doubtless inspired the popular proverb.

### HE APPROVED THE SCHEME.

CHURCHMAN—"Don't you think this Church Burial Reform Association rather a good idea?"

SECULARIST—"Why, yes. That's what I've been telling you all along. The burial of the churches would be the greatest reform we could have."

### SHE HAD EVERY FACILITY.

PIDDICOMBE—"I see by *Saturday Night* that Miss Beezleton has managed to ring in with the most exclusive people."

BEESEX—"What's to hinder? She's quite a belle, you know."

"I CAN'T sell this poem," groaned Fletcher.

"That's surprising," was Skelly's reply; "have you been to all the dime museums?"

### THE DUAL LANGUAGE QUESTION.

DE Parliament, dass what she's say,  
For not talk it French no more;  
He mak' some school for Frenchman too,  
De sam' she's do it before.

Wha'ss dat 'ee's call'em,—Jew language,  
Dey's talk en Quebec Provence?  
Dat man he's know noting,—tout blague!  
Juss' mak fool speech, je pense.

Me, I know everybody  
Dans Quebec an' St. Boniface,  
Hal' ee's not talk no Jew language dere,  
But grand ole French, de bess'.

De way dey's talk en de Belle France  
You say dass not de sam'?  
Bien, no! may dass good language too,  
From de ole Frank she's came.

Mais de French Canadian patois  
Dass de hol'ess speech of all,  
Before de Hingliss hiland's grow  
Dat speech he's come from Gaul.

It was mak' perfec' at de start,  
Never change—not one bit;  
You go Quebec, or St. Boniface,  
You find plenty Gaul dere yet.

Hingliss? ha! dass all robber talk,  
You hear some French sound rich,—  
Steal 'em, an' mix some Latin—Greek—  
An' brag dat for Hingliss.

Eef you want to see de pure language  
Get dat Jesuit Bill, you know.  
Dass not mix up lak Hingliss talk,  
Dass de pure Gaul clear t'rough.

Eh bien! you don't let talk de French  
He teach 'em en de school,  
Why for you keep dat words you steal?  
You laff—mais; I'm no fool.

For d' Hingliss liberty, hoorah!  
Everybody de sam' chance.  
French? ha! should have some privilege  
So far from home,—Belle France!

No? Attendez, messieurs! la petite French girl  
He's marry fourteen year ole,  
At thirty year he's gran'mother,—  
Big family en de school.

Thirty year? ha! plenty Hingliss girl  
Not yet hee's marry.  
Dass de way putty soon dees country have  
Grand French majority.

An' den de Parliament she's say  
For not talk it Hingliss no more;  
He mak' some school for Hinglissman,  
She's got he's chance before.

Habitant, for sure das loyal man,  
De sam' she always been.  
For Canada she's say, hoorah!  
Tree cheer for me,—an' de Queen.

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### FALSE ECONOMY

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