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A Man of Conscience.—Long-haired Customer (to barber)—Is there any way to shorten a man's hair without using the shears or clippers? Barber—Yes, sir. I've done that for several gentlemen since the election. You made a vow about a year ago, perhaps, that you wouldn't have it cut till Cleveland was elected President again? Customer—Er—yes. Barber—That's all right. I can singe it for you. Customer (relieved)—Then I wish you would singe off about six inches. I may be a durn fool, but I'm a man of some conscience.

Travers came to New York after a long residence in Baltimore. One day he met a Baltimorean on the street. "I notice, Travers," said the Baltimore man, "that you stutter a great deal more than when you were in Baltimore."

"W-hy, yes," replied Travers with an air of surprise, "of course I do. This is a d-d-darned sight b-b-bigger city.

Once Travers inquired of a bird-fancier "i-i-f th-th-that p-p-p-parrot c-c-could t-t-talk?" The owner replied: "If it couldn't talk better than you I'd cut it's infernal head off." The story of how Travers got even with the parrot's owner is very funny, but too long to quote here.

At one time Mr. Clews wrote a long series of letters on financial matters to the New York papers. One morning Travers was asked: "Have you seen Clews' last letter?" He replied, "I h-h-hope so."

RONDEL.

She has a witching way,
A fascination rare;
My candid friends all say
That I had best beware.

Yet danger I will dare
In spite of all they say,
She has a witching way,
A fascination rare.

I'll go to her to-day,
And lay my fond heart bare;
She cannot say me nay
When she has heard my prayer.
She has a witching way,
A fascination rare.

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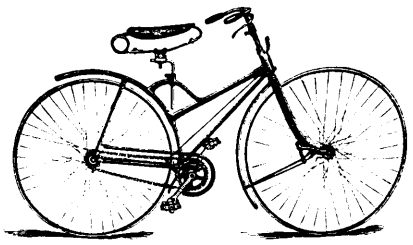

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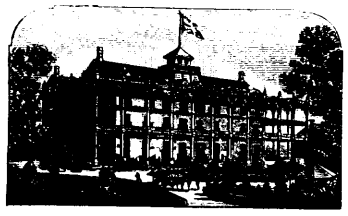

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