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SELECTED SPICE.

"Then think where'er you are or what you do,
That some one sees your every little deed,
Your actions on the street or in the pew
Reflect your spirit and portray your creed."
J. A. Bell.

"I think you said, 'Rastus, that you had a brother in the mining business in the West?'"
"Yeh, boss, that's right."
"What kind of mining—gold mining, silver mining, copper mining?"
"No, sah; kalsomining."

Little Mary had returned from her first visit to Sunday School.
"And what lesson are you to study for next Sunday?" her mother asked.
"Nuffin' much," said the four-year old, rather scornfully.
"Her just said to learn all about the catakinsin, and me knowed that already."—Sel.

Fritz, a German lad, and little Tom were very fond of each other, although neither could understand what the other said.
"Why, Tom," said Fritz, "your playmate does not speak English, does he?"
"No," said Tommy; "but when a bumblebee stung him yesterday, he cried in English, and I understood him."

Little Carrie was somewhat surprised upon looking into the hen's nest, to find a porcelain egg in it. The next morning the hen left her nest cackling loudly over a new achievement. Carrie secured the egg, brought it to her mother, and said: "That old hen's a silly thing. Just listen to her cackling all over the yard! Why, yesterday she laid a door-knob, and didn't make half so much fuss about it!"—Sel.

In one of our large department stores an obliging salesman had taken every roll of cloth but one down from the shelves to show to a persistent woman. The last roll was on the top shelf. "You needn't bother any more," she replied to the weary clerk who was about to reach for the remaining roll. "I was simply waiting for a friend."
"Madam," said the clerk, "if you think she is in the last roll, I'll gladly seek it down for you."

A member of a school board was visiting a public school not long ago when he encountered a small boy in the hall.
"What are you studying, my boy?" the visitor asked.
"Arithmetic and geography," answered the boy.
"And what are you learning in arithmetic?"
"The boy thought for a minute, then he replied: "Guzinta."
"Guzinta," said the surprised official.
"Why, don't you know?" said the boy. "Two guzinta four, three guzinta six, four guzinta eight, five guzinta ten."—Sel.

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