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Keep Him Down.

If a man should ever stumble,
 Then to keep him duly
 humble,
 Keep him down.

Do not try to let him gather
 Any strength, for we would
 rather
 Keep him down.

If we do not keep him under
 He might rise again. Don't
 blunder,
 Keep him down.

Was he kind to us and tender?
 What account have we to render?
 Keep him down.

He's our brother, we should
 love him?

Nonsense, now we are above
 him;
 Keep him down.

Does he need but slight assist-
 ance?

Then I answer with persistence,
 Keep him down.

Foolish talk this is of kindness,
 Sure, to help him up were blind-
 ness;
 Keep him down.

If he rose, he might surpass us,
 So be sure, dear lads and lasses,
 Keep him down.

—BILLY WILLIAMS.

A Sure Indication.

Pilgarlic: "Well, old man,
 how are you getting on with the
 widow?"

Sanjones: "Oh, so-so. She
 told me last evening that she
 could never, never think of a
 man again."

Pilgarlic: "Congratulations,
 dear boy! Your success is as-
 sured."

Kept Them Dry.

Stapleton: "Ther's a man
 who has saved many thousands
 from watery graves."

Caldecott: "How so?"

Stapleton: "Took a contract
 for draining the cemetery."

The Ideal Beverage

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A Pale Ale, palatable, full
 of the virtues of malt and
 hops, and in sparkling con-
 dition, is the ideal beverage.

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And when chemists an-
 nounce its purity and
 judges its merits, one needs
 look no further.

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His Natural Advantage.

As locomotive engineer,
 Young Bildad once designed
 To run through life a swift career,
 But he proved color-blind.
 He changed his plan—in studying art
 He found his role—Oh, yes!
 And in designing poster girls,
 Achieved a marked success.

The Waning of the Honey-Moon.

"Oh, Henry," said she, as she clasped
 him close and smothered him with kisses,
 "are there not times when you feel that
 Love is enough?"

"Yes," he gasped. "Quite so. In fact
 —there are times—when it seems—a darn
 sight too much."

More Appropriate.

Binkerton: "It seems the style lately
 for brides to carry prayer-books, instead
 of bouquets."

Miss Assid: "Yes, it's much more
 appropriate. They'll feel like praying
 before they've been married very long."

Truthful,

Stapleton: "Mrs. Bewdler says her
 husband is traveling for the benefit of his
 health."

Caldecott: "Certainly he is. Close
 confinement is generally unhealthy."