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## BROTHER GARDNER

The President of the Limekiln Club  
Talks on Old and New Issues

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"Doddier night," began Brother Gardner, as he arose after the routine proceedings of the Limekiln club had been concluded—"de oddier night, when Pickles Smith cum ober to my cabin to borrow a dollar, an' I had a few words to say to him on extravagance, his excuse was dat we had new issues befo' us."

"I has been hearin' 'bout new issues fur de last year. When I warned Samuel Shin agin sittin' up nights to learn big words to git off at the wood-yard next day he pleaded new issues."



BROTHER GARDNER

derman of his ward, an' dat his wife was gwine round barfot an' his chillen wanted close, he brung up new issues as an excuse."

"When I found Giveadam Jones lettin' his rent git three months behind while he stood on de co'ner an' talked free trade, he raised de question of new issues an' was so sassy 'bout it dat I had to take him by the collar an' whop his heels agin de lamp-post."

"It wasn't two weeks ago dat I went ober to Samuel Shin's house to find his chillen cryin' wid hunger an' his ole woman weepin' wid grief, while he an' Kurnel Cabiff was off somewhere huntin' fur new issues."

"Oh, yes, I've hearin' 'bout new issues fur a long time past, an' de time has now arrive when I propose to take a hand in. I agree wid dese new issues men dat old issues am dead, but I kin remember all 'bout 'em."

"I kin remember when no man libin' dared charge a political candiate wid burglary, arsen an' highway robbery. I kin remember when de man who jumped up an' wanted a nomination kase he had money to push a campaign took a tumble as soon as he began to holler."

"I kin remember when dar was no sich word as 'div' among officeholders. If a city ordered a sewer or a sidewalk dar was no risin' to demand 20 per cent from de contractor."

"Once upon a time in dis kentry we had men who couldn't be bought an'



"PICKLES SMITH CUM OBER TO BORRY A DOLLAR."

sold. Dey held office year arter year, an' we had no scandals. Instead of bein' hunted ober de land as embezzlers, defaulters an' thieves, dey stayed at home an' died in deir beds an' war mourned as honest men."

"If we had had sich political scandals forty years ago as have filled de papers fur de last three years, an' of which nobody seems to take any particular notice, de public would have got up on deir hind legs an' busted out into revolution."

"In de olden time de question asked 'bout a candiate was, 'Am he fit?' In dese days de question am, 'Has he got de cash?' We ain't lookin' fur fitness. De question of integrity don't cum up 'tall."

"I've only a pore old cullid man, who put in his first years as a slave on a plantashun, an' who nebbber had much to lib fur, but dar am one thing I am proud of. No man eber called me a thief. All round me, since de new issues showed up, I have found white men an' officeholders who didn't care what name de people an' de papers called 'em so long as dey got de cash."

"Yes, de old issues have vanished, an' we have got new issues in deir place. It's what dey call progression. In de old days an officeholder who stole \$100 lost his good name an' went to prison. Under dis new deal he steals \$10,000 an' is looked upon as a good candiate fur a higher office."

"I don't know what de people of America am gwine to do 'bout it, but I am gwine to speak a few words fur myself. We am gwine back to old ideas in dis yere Limekiln club, an' we will start in dis werry night. I've got a deen

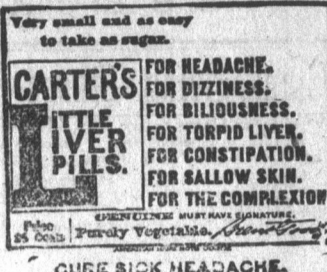
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suspicion dat Jimweed Johnson am comin' to me arter de meetin' is ober to git me to go security fur his rent. Brudder Johnson is a new issue man. He's left off work to shout politics. He'd better not cum. If he does he'll want three porous plasters fur his back befo' daylight."

"Nine different members of dis club owe me borrowed money. It has been borrowin' de new issues idea—borry when yo' kin an' pay back when yo' must. If dat money ain't in my pocket befo' noon tomorrow I'll set out an' wollop nine men as fast as I cum to 'em."

"De treasurer of dis club am Way-down Bebee. His accounts haven't bin audited for three months, but dey are gwine to be widin twenty-fo' hours, an' if he am a defaulter to de amount of eben 2 cents his heart will be made to ache fur de next year."

"Brudder Giveadam Jones was swellin' round de odder day an' tellin' what he 'spected to git if a sartin man was 'lected to office. Brudder Jones will either git de swell out of him an' drap politics or dis club will drap him."

"Liv'forever Hooper has taken it up on himself to turn a cake walk into a political meetin' an' put for'd de claims of a sartin candiate. He will be granted jist twenty-fo' hours to git his senses back an' pick up his whitewash brush."

"I'm tellin' yo', an' I want every member of dis club to listen wid boaf ears, dat sich old issues as honor an' honesty am gwine to prevail in dis club while it lives, an' de man who don't like it kin git out. We want newness, but we want integrity. We want progress, but we don't want embezzlers an' defaulters. We want to keep at de front, but we don't want dat front to have iron bars across it."

"Dat's all I've got to say, an' now, bein' as de fire am out an' dar ain't much ile left in de lamps, we will break de meetin' in two an' depart fur our respective homes." M. QUAD.

## A Rich Diet.



"It's a fact," said this Jersey mosquito, "that you soon become like what you eat. Now, I make it my pride To alight on the hide Of only the very elite."

## Log Cabin Philosophy.

De worl' wouldn't make no progress ef everbody wuz easy satisfied. Only takes a log in a millpond to make an alligator happy.

No use ter say de heathen don't 'preciate de gospill, kaze he proves, by eatin' de mission'ry, dat he knows a good thing w'en he sees it.

De perkypline got des es high ideas 'bout his mission in de worl' es what de len has—only he don't command one-half es much respect."

Dey's lots er blessin's dat come ter us in disguise. A cyclone saves lots ef folks railroad expenses des 'bout de time taxes is high an' rent due.

Jonah wuz des like some er de people in dis day en time. He even wuzn't satisfied wid a whole whale.

Dey's mighty few mens in dis worl' what would be willin' ter let a lookin' glass deliver a lecture on 'em.—Frank L. Stanton in Chicago Record-Herald.

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Home is her kingdom, love is her power; She seeks no other wand of power To make home sweet, bring heaven near, To win a smile and wipe a tear And do her duty day by day In her own quiet place and way.

Around her childish heart are twined, As with some reverend saint enshrined, And following hers the childish feet Are led to ideals true and sweet And find all purity and good In her divinest motherhood.

She keeps her faith unshaken still; God rules the world in good and ill; Men in her creed are brave and true And women pure as pearls of dew, And life for her is high and grand By work and glad endeavor spanned.

This old earth's a brighter place All for the sunshine of her face; Her very smile a blessing throw, And hearts are happier where she goes, A gentle, clear-eyed messenger, To whisper love—thank God for her!

—L. M. Montgomery.

## VICTIMS OF NIAGARA.

The Indian Legend of Its Calling for Another Victim.

The Indians held that Niagara claimed its yearly quota of victims. Even to-day, when the wind is in a certain direction and the roar of the falls has a peculiar thunderous sound, they say, "Niagara is booming! It is calling for another victim!" And long indeed is the roll-call of the lost. All guides point out the spot where the French lady, swooping to fill her cup from the rapids, fell, and was whirled away in an instant. Nothing was seen of her but once; then for the space of a flash a hand tossed above the waves.

They show you the rock to which Avery clung for twenty hours, for half a day in view of the frantic crowd, who sent raft after raft to reach him, yet saw him swept like a weed to destruction at last.

Perhaps the most tragic story is that of the young man who was walking with his bride on Luna Island. Just at the brink of the falls they stopped to greet a party of friends. The young husband, in merry mood, took in his arms a little girl of the party. Teasingly he held her out over the brink, never doubting the security of his strong grasp.

The terrified child struggled and screamed, and in the struggle slipped from his arms and fell into that whirl of foaming water.

Overwhelmed with the awfulness of his act, and doubtless actuated by a wild thought of saving the child the young man leaped after her to his own death, and the two were swept away before the horrified gaze of their friends.

Perhaps that bride's fate, who stood and saw this awful tragedy, was sadder than the lot of the other ill-starred bride, who went rowing in a little boat with her young husband on the river above the falls. Although warned not to venture too far, they rowed on and on over the smooth, treacherous, fair-seeming waters, till the terrible current seized their little skiff and whirled it into the rapids. The last glimpse of them showed them standing up in the rocking boat, clasped in each other's arms. Then boat, bride and bridegroom were engulfed in the relentless waters.

## The Wisdom of the Birds.

Come with me for a walk to-night, Mr. Worldly Wiseman, somewhere where we can get away from the row the insistent trolleys are making. Turn your face up to the black vault and the twinkling stars and listen. Hear that? "Peep-peep" issues from somewhere up in the vast and lonesome spaces of the night. That means, Mr. Worldly Wiseman, that somewhere up there the birds are flying south to escape the winter's coming chill.

How marvelous the instinct that tells those birds that winter is coming, tells them long before we feel the touch of the frost. How marvelous the instinct that guides them to their destination in the sunny south. They have no maps, no compass, no guide, they have not even daylight, for there they are though you can't see them, flying confidently forward through the midnight darkness to the land of perpetual summer.

Listen awhile with me, Mr. Worldly Wiseman, listen awhile and then bow your diminished head, for those little birds are doing what you with all your learning, could not do. Put you into the darkness, with no paths before you, and you would wander in a circle till daylight, or else sit down and wait for the dawn. You think you are wise, but have I not shown you your knowledge is less than that of one of those feathered atoms calling cheerily to its fellows through the starry spaces of the night!—H. D. O., in Toronto Star.

## When Struck by Lightning.

Some kind of a memorial should be presented to the engineer of the Cogwheel railway on Piko's Peak. Being struck by lightning and stripped of his clothing, he calmly attired himself in a Navajo blanket and continued his duties. We must ever feel an unquenchable admiration for such sprightly unconcern. It is quite customary when struck by lightning to make a great fuss about it; to demand the services of everybody in the neighborhood for our resuscitation, and to bring the business we may have had in hand to a dead standstill.

Who would not have insisted on being taken to the nearest hospital in the Navajo blanket instead of calmly rising and wrapping it about him with the stateliness of an Indian sachem, and taking up his task as before? Few could resist the impulse to be put to bed and to relate with ever-multiplying detail just how it felt to be struck by lightning, what he thought, what he saw, and his present symptoms. Not so this engineer. He grunts indifferently, "Huhi!" and, robing himself again, takes his seat in the cab. Such things are worth gold medals.

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